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# CITY ★ REPORT

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WATERVILLE  
MAINE



**Fifty - eighth**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**City of Waterville**  
**MAINE**



**1946**

**For the Municipal Year Ending January 31, 1946**

**THE BARTON PRINT SHOP**  
Waterville, Maine

MAR 24 1947



The figure on the cover is  
"WINGED VICTORY", or "VICTORY OF SAMATHRACE".  
It is used in this instance as illustrative of the victory of Our  
Armed Forces

MURIEL ROBINSON



# Mayors of the City of Waterville

1888 - 1946

*Hon. Reuben Foster	1888			
*Hon. Nathaniel Meader	1889	1890		
*Hon. Edgar L. Jones	1891	1892	1906	
*Hon. Charles F. Johnson	1893			
*Hon. Christian Knauff	1894	1895		
*Hon. Edmund F. Webb	1896			
*Hon. Charles H. Redington	1897			
*Hon. Carroll W. Abbott	1898			
*Hon. Warren C. Philbrook	1899	1900		
*Hon. Martin Blaisdell	1901	1902		
*Hon. Cyrus W. Davis	1903	1904		
*Hon. Horace Purinton	1905	1906		
*Hon. Luther G. Bunker	1907	1908		
*Hon. Frank Redington	1909			
*Hon. Norman K. Fuller	1910			
*Hon. William R. Pattangall	1911	1912	1913	
Hon. Louis E. Hilliard	1914			
*Hon. Martin F. Bartlett	1915			
*Hon. Frederic E. Boothby	1916			
*Hon. Ora A. Meader	1917			
*Hon. Everett C. Wardwell	1918	1919		
*Hon. Ernest E. Finnimore	1920	1921		
*Hon. Leon O. Tebbetts	1922	1923	1924	
Hon. Paul R. Baird	1925			
Hon. Herbert C. Libby	1926	1927		
Hon. F. Harold Dubord	1928	'29	'30	'31 '32
*Hon. L. Eugene Thayer	1933	1934		
Hon. Robert M. Jackson	1934	'35	'36	'37
Hon. Paul A. Dundas	'38	'39	'40	'41 '42 '43
Hon. George J. Doyle	1944	1945		

\*Deceased



# **City Government**

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**FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1946**

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## **MAYOR**

**GEORGE J. DOYLE**

## **ALDERMEN**

Urban V. Stedman, Chairman; Ward 1, Urban V. Stedman; Ward 2, Arthur H. Smith; Ward 3, George P. Bernhardt; Ward 4, Bradford H. Hutchins; Ward 5, Walter J. Matthews; Ward 6, John L. Matthieu; Ward 7, Augustus J. Carey.

## **CITY CLERK**

**CHARLES N. NAWFEL**

## **COMMON COUNCIL**

Herman H. Rines, President; Ward 1, Cecil L. Niles, Clair P. Jewell; Ward 2, Dudley H. Smith, Leavitt Pilon; Ward 3, Edward K. Sawyer, John R. Joseph Jr.; Ward 4, Herman H. Rines, Joseph P. Caron; Ward 5, Percy C. Motherwell, Harry J. Bernard; Ward 6, Oliva Peter Cote, Henry Moses; Ward 7, Wardell A. Rancourt, Leon R. Pilon; Carleton Farnham, Clerk.



**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES****ACCOUNTS**

Alderman George P. Bernhardt, Chairman; Councilman Herman R. Rines, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Walter J. Matthews, Arthur H. Smith, John L. Matthieu; Councilmen Wardell A. Rancourt, Henry Moses, Cecil L. Niles, Clair P. Jewell, John R. Joseph, Jr., Ovila Peter Cote.

**APPROPRIATIONS AND SALARIES**

Alderman Bradford H. Hutchins, Chairman; Councilman Dudley H. Smith, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Walter J. Matthews, Arthur H. Smith, George P. Bernhardt, Urban V. Stedman, Augustus J. Carey; Councilmen Leon R. Pilon, Herman H. Rines, Leavitt Pilon, Cecil L. Niles, Clair P. Jewell, Henry Moses, Wardell A. Rancourt.

**CLAIMS**

Alderman Urban V. Stedman, Chairman; Councilman Joseph P. Caron, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Bradford H. Hutchins, Arthur H. Smith, John L. Matthieu; Councilmen Edward K. Sawyer, Percy C. Motherwell, Leavitt Pilon, Herman H. Rines, Ovila P. Cote, Henry Moses.

**FINANCE**

Alderman Walter J. Matthews, Chairman; Councilman Clair P. Jewell, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen George P. Bernhardt, Urban V. Stedman, Augustus J. Carey; Councilmen John R. Joseph, Percy C. Motherwell, Dudley H. Smith, Wardell A. Rancourt, Leon Pilon.

**FIRE**

Alderman Arthur H. Smith, Chairman; Councilman Edward K. Sawyer, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle, Aldermen Urban V. Stedman, George P. Bernhardt, John L. Matthieu; Councilmen Cecil L. Niles, John R. Joseph, Jr., Clair P. Jewell, Ovila Peter Cote, Henry Moses.



**PUBLIC BUILDINGS**

Alderman Arthur H. Smith, Chairman; Councilman Edward K. Sawyer, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Walter J. Matthews, Bradford H. Hutchins, Augustus J. Carey; Councilmen Herman H. Rines, Clair P. Jewell, Wardell A. Rancourt, Leon R. Pilon.

**STREETS AND SEWERS**

Alderman Urban V. Stedman, Chairman; Councilman John R. Joseph, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Arthur H. Smith, George P. Bernhardt, Augustus J. Carey; Councilmen Percy C. Motherwell, Edward K. Sawyer, Harry J. Bernard, Wardell A. Rancourt, Leon R. Pilon.

**INSURANCE**

Alderman George P. Bernhardt, Chairman; Councilman Percy C. Motherwell, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Urban V. Stedman, Walter J. Matthews, John L. Matthieu; Councilmen Edward K. Sawyer, Joseph P. Caron, Ovila P. Cote, Henry Moses.

**STREET LIGHTING**

Alderman Urban V. Stedman, Chairman; Councilman Percy C. Motherwell, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Arthur H. Smith, George P. Bernhardt, Augustus J. Carey; Councilmen Joseph P. Caron, Edward K. Sawyer, Wardell A. Rancourt, Leon Pilon.

**NEW STREETS**

Alderman Bradford H. Hutchins, Chairman; Councilman Percy C. Motherwell, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen George P. Bernhardt, Walter J. Motthews, John L. Matthieu; Councilmen John R. Joseph, Jr., Leon Pilon, Harry J. Bernard, Wardell A. Rancourt, Henry Moses.



**SIDEWALKS**

Alderman Arthur H. Smith, Chairman; Councilman John R. Joseph, Jr. Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Walter J. Matthews, Urban V. Stedman, Augustus J. Carey; Councilmen Leavitt Pilon, Percy C. Motherwell, Harry J. Bernard, Leon Pilon, Ovila P. Cote.

**AIRPORT**

Alderman Bradford H. Hutchins, Chairman; Councilman Harry J. Bernard, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen George P. Bernhardt, Arthur H. Smith, John L. Matthieu; Councilmen Dudley H. Smith, Joseph P. Caron, Ovila P. Cote, Henry Moses.

**STANDING COMMITTEES****LICENSES**

Alderman Arthur H. Smith, Chairman; Alderman Hutchins, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Stedman, Bernhardt, Hutchins, Matthews, Matthieu, Carey.

**PENSIONS**

Alderman Urban V. Stedman, Chairman; Alderman Smith, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Bernhardt, Smith, Hutchins, Matthews, Matthieu, Carey.

**SANITATION**

Alderman Bradford H. Hutchins, Chairman; Alderman Bernhardt, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Stedman, Smith, Bernhardt, Matthews, Matthieu, Carey.

**POLICE AFFAIRS**

Alderman Arthur H. Smith, Chairman; Councilman Dudley H. Smith, Secretary; Mayor George J. Doyle; Aldermen Augustus J. Carey, Urban V. Stedman.



## City Officials

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Mayor, GEORGE J. DOYLE

Secretary, Edmay Raymond

City Clerk	Charles N. Nawfel
Deputy Clerk	Marie MacArthur
Treasurer and Tax Collector	John E. Rowell
Clerk	Alice E. Parsons
Clerk	Yvette Deschaine
City Solicitor	Stanley L. Bird
Street Commissioner	Raymond Cilley
City Electrician	T. W. Teague
City Engineer	Harry Green
City Physician	Dr. Edwin Harlow
Supt. of Burials	Harold N. Smith
Clerk of Finance Board	Elnora Nickerson
City Auditor	Warren Brooks



**ASSESSORS**

Francis Rancourt, Chairman; Charles F. Jones, Ralph Thurston; Violet Rancourt, Clerk.

**ASSISTANT ASSESSORS**

Ward 1, Margaret Sterling; Ward 2, Frances Diggs; Ward 3, Emma Garrant; Ward 4, Lois H. Smith; Ward 5, Grace B. Jones; Ward 6, Eva Caron; Ward 7, Lorine Reed.

**MEMBERS OF THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

Eugene H. Winslow, Leon B. Berry, Eugene Landers; Harold N. Smith, Supt. of Burials.

**UNDERTAKERS**

T. Harold Branch, Edmund F. Longley, Napoleon J. Emond, Lemuel Leighton, Wallie G. Rancourt, Arthur Austin, Gustave Veilleux, Calixte Pomerleau.

**CULLER OF HOOPS AND STAVES**

Lloyd Cooper, Gordon Skillin.

**SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER**

Carl Green, Roy W. Moore, Gilbert Bourgoïn, Edward Morin, E. Payson Witham, H. T. Winters, George A. Rancourt, John Ware, Pearl G. Butler, Frank Vigue, William A. Jones, Philip Rosenthal, David Hilton, Edward A. Saperstein, Arthur Tracey.



**MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK, WEIGHERS OF COAL,  
HAY AND ICE**

E. W. Traynor, E. W. Crawford, C. A. Proctor, Wm. A. Traynor, A. W. Reynolds, J. M. LaPlant, R. L. Ervin, John A. Davidson, Samuel Clark, A. R. Genest, A. A. Dow, Harry R. Aldrich, Carl Green, Arthur Tracey, Wm. A. Jones, Philip Rosenthal, N. A. Weymouth, Vilbon Boisvert, Joseph Laliberte, C. S. Bills, H. A. Wright, A. B. Lake, Peter Gagne, Fred Jacobs, A. V. McLain, C. M. Ryan, George D. Farnham, L. G. Whipple, W. L. Sterling, Fred L. Merrill, D. McCormick, George H. Simpson, Doris Sterling, Guy E. Coro, Frank Vashon, Fred Mehne, Pauline Sterling, Earl Gilbert, Eugene Bolduc, Paul LeBlanc, Cecile Bulger.

**FENCE VIEWERS**

Edgar Brown, Philip Loisel, George C. Haycock, Joseph Morency, Nelson Thibodeau, James McClay, Jr.

**INSPECTOR OF VINEGAR, COAL AND BURNING FLUIDS**

R. L. Ervin, Caleb Lewis, Albert Moore, Arthur Libby.

**INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING**

Horace Joler; W. S. Jackson, Alternate.

**MUNICIPAL COURT**

Cyril M. Joly, Judge; Arthur Cratty, Recorder; Laura Letourneau, Secretary.

**MILK INSPECTOR**

Dr. Paul R. Baird.



**CITY HALL JANITORS**

George Simpson, Albert Poulin, Charles Wentworth.

**INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS**

Luke Morrill.

**HAINES CHARITY****Advisory Committee**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

William A. Knauff, (1946); Frank Hubbard, (1947); Lewis G. Whipple, (1948); Arthur G. Picher, (1949); Cyril M. Joly. (1950).

**Relief Committee**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Mary Bechard, (1946); Exerene Flood, (1947); Mary A. Krick, (1950).

**PUBLIC DEBT AMORTIZATION FUND**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

William P. Toulouse, (1946); Walter W. Berry, (1947); Carroll N. Perkins, (1948).

**FINANCE BOARD**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Lewis G. Whipple, (1945); Willard B. Arnold, (1946); James L. Boyle, (1947).



**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Grover D. Lovejoy, Chief Engineer; Napoleon J. Marshall, 1st Assistant Engineer; Edward E. Pullen, 2nd Assistant Engineer.

**DRIVERS**

Ralph C. Blunt, Captain; Harry J. Roux, Lieutenant; Wallace Gullifer, Andrew F. Michaud, David Morin, George Vashon, Delmont Williamson, Leo Lessard, Lawrence Peters.

**HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY NO. 1**

Francis J. Wilson, Captain; John Raymond, Lieutenant; Edward Brown, Clerk.

**HOSE COMPANY NO. 1**

Ralph E. Gilman, Captain; Charles L. Sweet, Lieutenant; Errol S. F. Gilman, Clerk.

**HOSE COMPANY NO. 2**

Harry Pooler, Acting Captain; Edwin Pooler, Lieutenant; Joseph F. Prescott, Clerk.

**HOSE COMPANY NO. 3**

Albert Maheu, Captain; Philbert Boulette, Lieutenant; Alfred J. Maheu, Clerk.

**HOSE COMPANY NO 4**

J. Augustus Marshall, Captain; Leo Landry, Lieutenant; Bernard T. Gilbert, Clerk.



**PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Franklin W. Johnson, (1946); George D. Hegarty, (1946); E. C. Marriner, (1946); Florence Dunn, (1946); Mrs. Edward S. Heath, (1947); Carroll N. Perkins, (1947); F. Harold Dubord, (1947); Herbert C. Libby, (1947); Exerene Flood, (1948); Mrs. Harrison Smith, (1948); Jeanette Poulin, (1948); Paul Jullien, (1948); Alice A. Clarkin, (1948); A. F. Drummond, (1949); Grace Wells Thompson, (1949); Mrs. Florence Thayer, (1949); Charles E. Glover, (1949).

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Adelbert A. Carter, Chairman; C. E. Glover, Secretary; Ward 1, Francis Bartlett, (1948); Ward 2, Fred Young, (1948); Ward 3, Adelbert A. Carter, (1946); Ward 4, Ernest C. Marriner, (1946); Ward 5, Galen F. Sweet, (1946); Ward 6, Edmund J. Robichaud, (1947); Ward 7, Dominique Casavant, (1947).

**POOR DEPARTMENT**

Gertrude Willey, Clerk to Overseers; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Albert, Superintendent and Matron at City Home; laborer at Woodyard.

**HEALTH OFFICER**

Arthur R. Daviau, M. D.

**KENNEBEC WATER DISTRICT**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Henry W. Rancourt, 5 years, (1946); Lester F. Weeks, 5 years, (1949).

**BOARD OF REGISTRATION**

H. B. Holland, Chairman; Eugene Connors, Albion Blake.



**CITY PLANNING BOARD**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Harold Dubord, (1946); Thomas Daily, (1947); Francis Y. Armstrong, (1948); Exerene Flood, (1949); Russell M. Squire, (1950).

**PARK COMMISSION**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Joseph Bolduc, Chairman, (1946); Ellsworth W. Millett, (1947); Bernard Rancourt, (1948); President Waterville Women's Club; Chairman Conservation and Garden Club.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

(Year when term expires given in parentheses)

Joseph R. Poulin, Chairman, (1949); Ulysses Ponsant, (1951); Henry J. Kelley, (1947).

**CHIEF OF POLICE**

Alfred Poirier.

**CAPTAIN**

George P. Beckett.

**SERGEANTS**

Levi Leathers, Louis Rancourt.

**POLICE MATRON**

Alma Carey.

**PATROLMEN**

Albert E. Roy, Charles E. Colby, George Maheu, Arthur E. Thibodeau, Perley Jacques, J. A. Wm. Cardin, Albert Drost, John Hooglund.



### RESERVES

Thomas Ferland, Wilbur Johnson, Romeo Rancourt, Dona Roberge, J. R. Letourneau, Leo Lessard, Wilbur N. Pooler, John D. McIntyre, Maroon Thomas, John Breton, Grover D. Lovejoy, Willis Cote, Stanley H. Karnes, Fred D. McAlary, Ernest Maroon, Norman Mathews, Jr., Romeo Giroux, Glenwood Keirstead, Rufus Partidge, Bernard Rancourt, William J. Plisga, John E. Larracey, Edward Morin, Walter E. Nightingale.

### SPECIAL OFFICERS

Fred P. Weymouth, Albert Mayo, Dana Parent, George Webb, Wilfred Rancourt, Daniel LaFleur, Emile Bourgoïn, George D. Simpson, Henri P. Rancourt, Henry Simpson, Albert Poulin, Jessie Caron, Thomas Winters, Norman Goodwin, Gerard Gosselin, Harold Hersey, Clarence A. Proctor, Alex D. Quirion, Raymond A. Brown, Harry LeBrun, Perry A. Morse, William W. Mallory, James Ivory, George Langley, Leo Diambri, Leroy Jackson, Arthur J. Poulin, Merrick Counsell, Arthur G. Brann, Henry Giguere, Charles H. Huggard, Bernard A. Morrisette, Eugene Wort, William Vaughan, Ira Shalley, Irwin E. Thomas, Webster C. Blanchard, Basil G. Adams, Seldon D. Seekins, Harry Mulqueen, Joseph Mercier, Arthur Gooldrup, Percy Butler, Adolph Veilleux, Alphonse E. Fortier, Marc E. Franck.

### WARDENS

Ward 1, Kenneth Fletcher; Ward 2, Lewis G. Sawtelle; Ward 3, Ralph F. Thurston; Ward 4, Charles E. Crosby; Ward 5, Philip G. Gooch; Ward 6, Philip Crock; Ward 7, Napoleon Loubier.

### WARD CLERKS

Ward 1, Lillian Otis; Ward 2, Frances M. Toothaker; Ward 3, Margaret L. Foster; Ward 4, Patricia T. Thompson; Ward 5, Blanche E. Brooks, Ward 6, Desneiges Soucier; Ward 7, Mary Bouley.

### CONSTABLES

Ward 1, Edward Morin; Ward 2, Elmer Cote; Ward 3, Ralph E. Gilman; Ward 4, Fred T. Mason; Ward 5, G. Cony Brown; Ward 6, Simeon Martin; Ward 7, Joseph T. Boulette.



## Report of the Mayor

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February 1, 1946

To the Citizens of Waterville:

The following report for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1946, is respectfully submitted.

The details of operations and expenditures in the various departments will be found in the reports submitted by the individual department heads.

This administration began the year with a cash balance of \$65,120.05. We reduced the bonded indebtedness from \$469,500 to \$434,500. We increased the wages substantially in practically all departments, bought some new equipment, including two 4-wheel drive 4-5 ton trucks for the Street Department, built a fine Warrenite road on Western Avenue at a cost of \$37,249.67, covered Temple Street with a permanent bituminous concrete surface at a cost of approximately \$8,000.00, resurfaced Elm Street, Post Office Square to Park Street, at a cost of \$4,884.30, purchased a new cruiser car and made some badly need repairs on the City Hall.

The reserve fund set up for Post War improvements has not been touched and has increased somewhat by the addition of interest. Despite increased costs, all obligations have been met promptly and we find the City at the end of the fiscal year with a cash balance of \$37,919.03.

I have laid my recommendations before the Planning Board and am confident that they will appear in the Board's report. Inasmuch as the Planning Board is the one organization in the city that may, without presumption, submit a long term program, and work for the adoption of the program, I recommend,—and this is my only recommendation—that the ideas of the Planning Board be



given serious consideration. This Board is an important Board, should be recognized as such and used to the limit.

I take this opportunity to publicly thank those who cooperated with me and also to assure the people of Waterville that the privilege of serving them is an honor of which I shall always be proud.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE J. DOYLE,

Mayor.



## Report of Board of Finance

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In accordance with an Act to Establish a Board of Finance of the City of Waterville, as amended, we submit herewith our annual report.

In the Auditor's report for the year, it is indicated that there has been an excess of operating costs over appropriations, but in all cases the overdrafts were authorized by the city government.

Funds borrowed by the city from banks by tax anticipation notes have been paid in full.

The bonded debt of the city is now \$434,500.00. Bonds falling due in 1946 and succeeding years will amount to \$24,000.00 in 1946, \$24,000.00 in 1947, \$24,000.00 in 1948, and \$75,500.00 in 1949. Hence for the years 1946 to 1949 inclusive, it shall be necessary to appropriate annually an amount averaging approximately \$37,000.00 to avoid the large amount due in 1949.

After the payments of all accounts and overdrafts, the cash balance in the treasury amounts to \$37,919.03.

In legal effect, it may be said the net debt of the city is \$308,000.00, for the post war reserve fund has been kept intact and the total of the bonds therein amounts to \$125,000.00 not including about \$1,200.00 accrued interest.

It has been suggested that things may be in order for a reduced tax rate due to various causes. Such is not possible. A modest summary of Waterville's expense for post war permanent improvements cannot be set lower than a million and a half dollars.



The financial condition of the city is such that funds in anticipation of taxes should be obtained by the new administration at a figure substantially less than one half of one per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD B. ARNOLD

JAMES L. BOYLE

PAUL R. BAIRD



# Auditor's Report

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February 12, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council,  
Waterville, Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of the City Ordinances, I am submitting herewith my report as City Auditor for the year ended January 31, 1946.

The attached report contains the following schedules:

Comparative Balance Sheet

Report of Treasurer

Report of 1945 Valuation and Commitment

Comparison of Cost of Government 1944 - 1945

Receipts to Estimated Revenue Account

Statement of Funded Debt

Table showing Valuation — Tax Commitment — State and  
County Taxes, and Tax rates for 27 years

Report of Haines Charity Fund

I have examined the books and the accounts of the City Treasurer, Pine Grove Cemetery, Amortization Fund, Haines Charity Trust Fund, and Waterville Public Library, and found them to be correct.

I submit the following recommendations for consideration:



First: A Special Contingent appropriation should be provided each year for purchases of capital equipment; that is, equipment to last over a period of years. This way you do not destroy your comparisons of each department's regular running expenses. Each department should submit its regular budget and then supplement it with any necessary equipment or improvement capital expenditure, this to be provided for in the Special Contingent Account.

Secondly: No appropriation should be set up for abatements for the following reasons: It is not a cash expense and has no place in the Roll of Accounts. At the end of the year the actual abatements should be deducted from the commitment to the Collector and shown in his report.

The first two were recommended in the last report, but no consideration was given. I still believe this will help to make a more understandable report.

The City's method of recording transactions suggests many improvements and changes which I will enumerate but which should call for the services of an accountant with time to instruct the personnel.

The method of handling the so-called "Estimated Revenue", which term is confusing in itself, is entirely wrong. This year there were miscellaneous receipts in the amount of \$85,038.56 derived from credits, rebates or services rendered by the various operating departments of the City. These amounts should be shown as a credit against the actual expenses of the departments concerned in order to show the true net expense. Fifty years ago these amounts may have been inconsequential but today they amount to enough to be handled differently.

The various deductions for taxes, bond subscriptions and pensions are set-up in separate funds which involves a number of unnecessary transactions and tends to confuse the bookkeepers especially if an error is made.

The method of handling Accounts Receivable should be changed. At present, billings are credited to "Estimated Revenue a/c Receivable" regardless of what the services or materials are from. This Mystery Account is listed in the collector's statement as cash, or income arising from Accounts Receivable.



A billing should be made of all miscellaneous income received or receivable and the credit given to the department from which the income originates.

Summing up, the system urgently needs some attention to bring it up to date and to make its reports understandable to the public and easier and clearer to those working on the books.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN A. BROOKS,

City Auditor.



## FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

## CITY OF WATERVILLE

## COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	Feb. 1, 1946	Feb. 1, 1945
Cash -----	\$ 37,919 03	\$ 65,117 99
Petty Cash -----	150 00	150 00
Tax Titles -----	38,378 79	45,991 22
1945 Taxes -----	14,237 67	
1944 Taxes -----	3,573 27	14,857 42
1943 Taxes -----	4,410 09	4,389 05
1942 Taxes -----	4,138 14	4,678 92
1941 Taxes -----	5,562 45	5,812 19
1940 Taxes -----	4,976 85	5,160 52
1939 Taxes -----	4,759 39	4,981 84
1938 Taxes -----	5,601 41	5,762 91
1937 Taxes -----	4,430 86	4,517 91
1936 Taxes -----	4,772 13	4,961 86
1935 Taxes -----	3,856 49	4,012 05
1934 Taxes -----	5,311 30	5,504 33
1933 Taxes -----	6,637 44	6,878 94
1932 Taxes -----	1,640 03	1,835 88
1931 Taxes -----	604 81	590 86
1930 Taxes -----	600 03	612 33
1929 Taxes -----	3,116 31	3,158 54
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	\$154,676 49	\$188,974 75
U. S. Government Bonds -----	\$ 126,605 79	\$ 124,580 00
Accounts Receivable -----	8,153 03	2,567 28
Municipal Property -----	1,034,974 22	1,034,974 22
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	\$1,324,409 53	\$1,351,096 26
 LIABILITIES		
Bonds Payable—Funded Debt ---	\$ 434,500 00	\$ 469,500 00
Reserve for Doubtful Taxes -----	45,819 95	49,563 02
1946 Taxes paid in advance -----	895 05	424 35
Surplus -----	842,884 80	831,608 89
Louis Gordon Fund -----	309 73	
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	\$1,324,409 53	\$1,351,096 26



## WATERVILLE, MAINE

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## CITY OF WATERVILLE

## REPORT OF TREASURER

Cash on hand February 1st, 1945 \$ 65,120 05

## RECEIPTS

1945 Taxes -----	\$611,944 48	
1945 Taxes Collected in 1944 ---	482 35	611,462 13

1946 Taxes -----	895 05	
Tax Titles -----	15,631 56	
Back Taxes -----	3,711 67	20,238 28
		<u>\$696,820 46</u>

Certificate of Deposit \$200,000 00

Accounts Receivable -----	\$ 11,540 36	
Estimated Revenue -----	85,038 56	
Anticipation Loan -----	400,000 00	\$ 496,578 92

Total Available ----- \$1,393,399 38

Total Warrants ----- 1,355,480 35

Cash Balance January 31st, 1946	\$ 37,919 03
Petty Cash -----	150 00

## CITY OF WATERVILLE

## REPORT OF 1945 VALUATION AND COMMITMENT

January 31st, 1946

## VALUATION

Real Estate -----	\$11,792,190 00	
Personal -----	1,861,240 00	
	<u></u>	\$13,653,430 00



## COMMITMENT

Valuation \$13,653,430 at 45	\$ 614,404 35
Polls 3884 at \$3.00 -----	11,652 00

626,056 35

Supplemental Taxes --

626 75

Total charged to Collector --

\$ 626,683 10

## CREDITS TO COLLECTOR

Cash to Treasurer -----

611,462 13

Abatements -----

3,043 87

Uncollected Taxes -----

11,694 75

1945 Taxes collected in ad-  
vance -----

482 35

## TOTAL CREDITS TO COLLECTOR

\$626,683 10

Tax Titles ----- \$ 7,485 84

Unsecured Taxes -- 507 30

Personal ----- 3,701 61

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 \$11,694 75



CITY OF WATERVILLE  
COMPARISON OF COST OF GOVERNMENT

WATERVILLE, MAINE

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	Appropriation 1945	Expenditures 1945	Expenditures 1944
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			
Administration -----	\$ 6,850 00	\$ 7,761 18	\$ 6,295 44
Finance & Accounts -----	12,500 00	14,862 18	12,269 44
Assessing -----	4,200 00	4,520 72	3,946 63
City Hall -----	11,000 00	13,459 55	12,882 84
Elections & Registrations -----	3,132 00	5,548 82	5,651 79
Municipal Court -----	3,300 00	3,520 32	3,403 21
Other Salaries -----	2,080 00	2,032 59	1,953 92
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>			
Police Department -----	33,500 00	36,929 77	31,337 59
Regulation of Traffic -----	1,500 00	785 54	1,077 04
Fire Department -----	33,000 00	32,993 49	30,592 52
Armory & Militia -----	350 00	365 21	279 42
Hydrants -----	4,910 00	4,910 00	4,910 00
Fire Alarm Maintenance -----	1,600 00	1,544 12	1,503 02
Pension Fund -----	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Civilian Defense -----			940 31
Health Department -----	6,350 00	9,253 76	7,511 92
Sewers -----	2,500 00	4,388 17	2,507 79



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	Appropriation 1945	Expenditures 1945	Expenditures 1944
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; BRIDGES</b>			
Street Department -----	30,000 00	34,147 30	31,470 10
Sidewalks -----	783 00	782 34	812 05
Surface Treatment -----	12,000 00	12,068 44	12,282 14
Patrol & Maintenance -----	350 00		350 00
Snow & Ice Removal -----	17,000 00	23,032 15	23,014 50
Country Roads & Bridges -----	1,000 00	994 77	1,365 52
Street Lights -----	19,600 00	19,949 50	19,590 50
Third Class Construction -----			158 83
State Aid Highway -----	2,000 00	37,249 67	
<b>CHARITIES</b>			
Support of Poor -----	25,000 00	25,083 59	29,719 50
Aid & Care -----	10,000 00	10,912 63	11,913 05
<b>EDUCATION</b>			
School Department -----	218,414 77	218,411 37	201,222 81
Junior High School—Gym. Equip. -----			338 38
<b>LIBRARIES &amp; RECREATION</b>			
Public Library -----	7,500 00	7,500 00	7,500 00
Parks & Playgrounds -----	6,500 00	6,945 74	4,609 90
Waterville Boys' Club -----	1,800 00	1,800 00	1,800 00
Historical Society -----	500 00	500 00	500 00



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## UNCLASSIFIED

Abatements -----	5,000 00		5,824 59
Miscellaneous -----	2,000 00	2,483 52	1,717 06
Insurance -----	8,200 00	8,204 64	6,075 22

## INTEREST

General Interest -----	14,480 00	15,560 48	16,763 42
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## TAXES

State Tax -----	106,686 64	106,686 64	104,877 09
County Tax -----	18,680 10	18,680 02	18,507 15

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Contingent Special -----	11,828 00	9,501 21	10,453 99
Contingent General -----	7,675 00	7,722 71	3,270 64
Pine Grove Cemetery -----	6,000 00	6,000 00	6,355 00
Airport -----	1,216 00	1,215 29	2,508 01
Dog Tax -----		104 80	

## REDUCTION OF DEBT

Bonds -----	35,000 00	35,000 00	36,500 00
	<u>\$696,985 51</u>	<u>\$754,412 23</u>	<u>\$687,562 43</u>



## CITY OF WATERVILLE

## ESTIMATED REVENUE

February 1st, 1946

Miscellaneous -----	\$ 2,256 30
City Clerk Fees & Licenses -----	2,412 52
Street -----	15 40
Armory & Militia -----	500 00
Sewers -----	65 00
City Hall -----	9,463 48
Costs -----	22 50
School -----	46,612 87
Fire -----	14 00
Finance -----	30 21
Excise Taxes -----	10,546 67
Parks & Playgrounds -----	15 00
Health -----	914 36
Assessors -----	10 00
Gasoline Tax Refund -----	14 73
Dog Tax Refund -----	302 36
Bank Stock Tax -----	4,165 98
Library Stipend -----	200 00
Elections -----	5 50
Interest -----	493 02
Railroad—Tel. & Tel. Tax -----	1,405 46
Interest on Tax Titles -----	594 73
Municipal Court -----	3,066 21
Snow & Ice -----	1,722 51
Traffic -----	189 70
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	\$85,038 56



# CITY OF WATERVILLE

## FUNDED DEBT

January 31, 1946

Nature	Interest	Rate	Date	Interest Date	Maturity	Amount
Street & Sewer	\$ 1,125 00	4 1/2	1919	June & Dec.	Aug. 15, 1949	\$ 25,000.
Funding	1,125 00	4 1/2	1919	Feb. & Aug.	Oct. 10, 1949	25,000.
Brook Street School	375 00	5	1929	Mar. & Sept.	Serial	5,500.
Refunding	2,400 00	4	1935	Mar. & Sept.	Serial	50,000.
Refunding	960 00	4	1935	Mar. & Sept.	Serial	18,000.
Refunding	937 50	3.75	1936	April & Oct.	Oct. 1, 1950	25,000.
Funding	1,750 00	3 1/2	1937	Feb. & Aug.	Aug. 1, 1957	50,000.
Refunding	2,250 00	3	1938	Mar. & Sept.	Sept. 1, 1963	75,000.
Refunding	1,980 00	2	1939	Jan. & July	Serial	93,000.
Funding	200 00	2	1940	Jan. & July	Serial	8,000.
Refunding	1,050 00	1.75	1940	June & Dec.	Serial	60,000.
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	\$14,670 00					\$434,500.

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## CITY OF WATERVILLE

## COMPARATIVE TAX ASSESSMENT STATEMENT

January 31, 1946

Year	Valuation	Tax Commitment	County Tax	State Tax	No. Polls	Tax Rate Mills
1921	\$11,451,450 00	\$362,628 85	\$15,856 19	\$ 61,453 12	3868	30
1922	11,730,220 00	406,804 75	15,856 19	67,036 29	3900	33
1923	13,143,800 00	455,183 81	16,645 54	90,584 60	4179	33
1924	13,358,360 00	461,973 49	16,485 54	84,340 08	4492	33
1925	13,510,235 00	499,694 46	21,992 46	93,915 17	4442	36
1926	13,718,685 00	534,384 03	21,992 46	93,915 17	4358	38
1927	13,730,065 00	534,705 47	25,758 18	91,534 40	4321	38
1928	13,660,280 00	559,602 20	25,758 18	91,534 40	4397	40



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1929	13,765,110 00	577,359 51	24,669 31	105,769 61	4330	41
1930	13,377,950 00	563,504 95	24,669 31	105,769 61	5003	41
1931	13,363,890 00	563,264 49	23,873 28	98,351 77	5115	41
1932	13,367,571 00	615,208 73	23,873 28	105,373 32	4556	45
1933	13,113,210 00	604,923 45	16,326 05	98,682 09	4943	45
1934	12,576,900 00	580,345 50	16,326 05	98,682 09	4795	45
1935	12,587,740 00	580,574 55	15,182 93	88,819 09	4708	45
1936	12,604,237 50	609,838 23	15,182 93	88,819 09	4935	47
1937	12,872,490 00	607,200 54	14,083 14	92,870 02	4949	46
1938	12,769,195 00	589,592 78	14,083 14	92,870 02	4993	45
1939	12,961,695 00	597,880 28	14,729 76	97,132 52	4868	45
1940	13,161,210 00	592,254 45	14,729 75	97,132 52	5475	45
1941	13,506,858 00	607,810 61	19,050 17	101,236 99	5063	45
1942	13,553,188 00	609,893 69	19,050 17	101,236 99	5142	45
1943	13,465,849 00	605,963 22	18,507 15	104,877 09	5464	45
1944	13,492,884 00	607,179 88	18,507 15	104,877 09	4872	45
1945	13,653,430 00	614,404 35	18,680 02	106,686 64	3884	45



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REPORT OF HAINES CHARITY FUND  
RECONCILIATION OF CASH TRANSACTION  
WITH BALANCES OF CASH FUNDS FOR YEAR

## Balances—February 1, 1945

Checking Account -----	\$ 3,067 09	
Federal Trust Savings Account	12,358 62	
Waterville Savings Account -	10,296 32	
Deduct: Excess of Disbursements over Income -----	(630 63)	
Total -----		\$25,091 40

## Balances—February 1, 1946

Checking Account -----	\$ 1,981 52 ✓	
Federal Trust Savings Acct.	12,606 61	
Waterville Savings Account -	10,503 27	
Total Cash Funds in Hand February 1, 1946 -----		\$25,091 40

## INCOME:

Interest on Investments -----	\$ 2,164 93	
Interest on Savings Account -----	247 99	
Interest on Savings Account -----	206 95	
		\$ 2,619 87

## DISBURSEMENTS:

Charity -----	\$ 3,180 00	
Other -----	70 50	
		\$ 3,250 50

Excess of Disbursements over Income	\$ 630 63
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# HAINES CHARITY FUND

## CITY OF WATERVILLE

January 31, 1946

Total Fund		Par Value	Cost
5	Portland Terminal Company—4% First Mortgage Gold Bonds of 1961—4024, 4026, 4027, 4028 acquired December 4, 1937 at 95½. Interest January and July -----	\$ 5,000 00	\$ 4,775 00
5	Central Maine Power Company—3½ of 1966—M6208. 6207, 6206, 6205, 6204 acquired March 19, 1937 at 92½. Interest February and August -----	5,000 00	4,687 50
5	Lake Superior District Power Company First Mortgage 3½ % 1966—M3026, 3025, 3023, 3832 acquired January 19, 1938 at 96. Interest April and October -----	5,000 00	4,800 00
5	Dominion of Canada—3% of 1967—E38263, 38262, 7091, 6768, 6767 acquired May 19, 1937 at 94⅛. Interest January and July -----	5,000 00	4,706 25



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Total Fund	Par Value	Cost
5 Northern States Power Company—3½% of 1967—59577, 59576, 59574, 59573 acquired May 19, 1937 at 96. Interest February and August -----	5,000 00	4,812 50
1 United States Defense Series—G-X-45637G -----	10,000 00	10,000 00
United States Treasury 2½ Bonds of 1967 -----	5,000 00	5,072 83
United States Treasury 2½s 1963—41604D -----	10,000 00	10,000 00
Series G. Defense Bond—V1799846 -----	5,000 00	5,000 00
U. S. Treasury 2½ 1966-91-22594D -----	10,000 00	10,000 00
U. S. Treasury 2½ Series K 22409K -----	5,000 00	5,000 00
Maine Central R. R. Bond—1954—4% -----	5,000 00	5,000 00
TOTAL BONDS -----	<u>\$75,000 00</u>	<u>\$73,854 08</u>



## STOCKS

## Shares

10	Guaranty Trust Company—Common Dividend 3% quarterly. Acquired January 21, 1938, at \$250.00 -----	\$	100 00	\$	2,500 00
25	Chase National Bank—Dividend 70c semi-annually. Acquired January 21, 1938 at 35¼ -----		13 55		881 25
25	Bankers Trust Company—Dividend 35c quarterly as of January 21. Acquired January 21, 1938 at 51¼ -----		10 00		1,281 25
25	Chemical Bank & Trust Company—Dividend 45c quarterly. Acquired January 18, 1938 at 45¾ -----		10 00		1,143 75
5	Bankers Trust Co. Received as stock Dividend Dec. 29, 1944 -----		10 00		
TOTAL COST OF STOCKS -----				\$	5,806 25



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## Savings Accounts—February 1, 1946

Federal Trust Company, Waterville, Maine Book 8506 ----- \$ 12,606 61

Waterville Savings Bank, Waterville, Maine Book 37745 ----- 10,503 27

TOTAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT ----- \$ 23,109 88

TOTAL TRUST FUNDS INVESTED ----- 102,770 21

Checking Account—Balance Feb. 1, 1946 ----- 1,981 52

TOTAL FUNDS ----- \$104,751 73

## RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL FUND

Total Funds Feb. 1, 1945 ----- \$105,382 36

Excess of Disbursements over Income ----- 630 63

TOTAL FUNDS FEB. 1, 1946 ----- \$104,751 73



# Department of Education

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of Education and Citizens of Waterville:

In accordance with the laws of Maine I herewith submit a report of the condition and progress of the schools for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1946.

The opening of schools in September found that the end of World War II had come. A war which had been such a drain on the human and material resources of this country and interrupted the education and careers of so many young men and women. The schools were proud, indeed, to have no small part in the manner in which America organized for war. We are now facing many new and different problems and the strength of our democracy is being tested anew by the effectiveness with which we can prepare for and maintain Peace. We are faced with overcoming the deficits of the war and adopting an educational program for the future that will enable the boys and girls now in school to succeed in the post-war world.

While no major departures or radical changes have been made in general school policies, minor changes and adaptations have been made from time to time as occasion warranted. This report includes a brief statement on items of general importance and interest, and a summary of expenditures.

### BUILDING SURVEY

The Board of Education, realizing that school buildings are being taxed to capacity and that improvements in buildings are greatly needed, has authorized a survey of existing facilities. Waterville has several buildings that are fire hazards, and do not meet present day standards of heating, lighting, ventilation and sanitation. Dr. Herbert Blair of Boston University, Director of



Research and Personnel Service, Massachusetts Federation of Teachers, has been employed to conduct the survey. He has recently conducted surveys in Augusta and Lewiston and is well qualified for the undertaking. The survey includes an analysis and rating of the present buildings, population trends, and financial ability, and on these findings will make recommendations for a long term building program. The study is well under way and the report should be available in the near future. The results of this survey should be given consideration by the City Planning Board in any program of post-war construction and municipal improvement.

### CURRICULUM REVISION

A foremost item of importance in a school system is an adequate curriculum. Such a curriculum should be adapted to the needs of the times and should bridge the gap between school and life. There is much current interest in and need for curriculum revision, particularly on the secondary level.

In the elementary field a change was made by a re-organization of the junior primary program. This was in part necessitated by State Legislation governing the entrance age and the need for a uniform program for all entering pupils. While, heretofore, some pupils have attended kindergarten and others junior primary classes, this year all pupils who were five years of age by October 15th were given the junior primary course. This plan in effect raised the entrance age so that pupils are older and mentally more mature, and at the same time the traditional first year junior primary requirements have been simplified. By spreading the basic reading work over the junior primary and grade one years pupils should be well prepared at the end of two years attendance for advancement to the second grade. A good foundation in the fundamental skill subjects is vitally necessary and if the work in the lower grades is well accomplished it should make it possible to reach a high level of achievement in succeeding years.

The Senior High School curriculum should be expanded and broadened. Here pupils show a difference in interests, aptitudes and vocational trends that call for a variety of courses, although such subjects as English, Mathematics, Citizenship, Health and Physical Education should be common to all. The program has been broadened by the introduction of physical education for both



boys and girls. This is in the developmental stage but is a step in the right direction for health and physical well-being is the first of the cardinal principles of education.

There is need for a more adequate program in the field of Home Economics for foods as well as clothing instruction should be offered. The Industrial Arts department is limited to elementary woodworking in Junior High and machine shop in Senior High. This offering is obviously inadequate and the courses should be extended in conjunction with a vocational school. Another area that might profitably be developed is the field of Distributive Education. This subject is a branch of the commercial department and includes both study and work experience in the occupations which make goods and services available to the consumer. The general plan is for a key teacher to coordinate the studies in school with the requirements of employers and to arrange for part-time work in places of business in the upper years. It appears that Waterville might be an ideal situation for such a course for a number of students are now working after school hours.

## HEALTH

The health situation has caused serious concern during the year with an epidemic of diphtheria in November which necessitated closing of all schools for nearly two weeks. There has been much sickness since that time with isolated cases of scarlet fever, mumps, German measles and chicken pox. The attendance for the first half of the fall term was exceptionally good but thereafter has been very irregular due to contagious diseases and the prevalence of colds and influenza. Absences on account of illness have seriously interfered with school work and it has been very difficult to maintain the desired rate of progress.

As a positive approach to the health problem the school department has approved a plan for immunization against diphtheria at regular intervals and tuberculin testing. Several clinics have been held and approximately 90% of pupils under twelve years of age have been inoculated against diphtheria.



## ENROLLMENT

The enrollment for the fall term in the various schools is shown by the following table:

School	J. P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Myrtle St.	29	36	32	32	36	44	51							260
No. Grammar	9	13	20	18	34	76	39							209
Brook St.	48	23	58	45	33									207
So. Grammar	24	28	23	35	56	75	70							311
Grove St.	19	18	14											51
Western Ave.	24	22	25	23										94
Junior High						169	213	259						641
Senior High									177	181	137			495



While the enrollment for the grade schools has remained normal there has been a decided increase in the Junior and Senior High enrollments. For the past four years the pressure of labor shortages and war service have lowered school attendance. The trend is now being reversed and boys and girls are returning to school in increasing numbers. The fall increase required the employment of an additional teacher at each of the high school buildings. The enrollment for the coming year at Junior High School is expected to remain normal but I am willing to predict an increase of 125 pupils at Senior High due to a large entering class as compared with the number being graduated. Such an increase will tax the building to capacity and involves an increase in the budget for additional teaching positions.

### VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Unfortunately due to lack of equipment and materials it has been impossible thus far to start the proposed vocational school at the Walnut St. building. A strenuous effort is being made to obtain machine and hand tools from government surplus. Contracts have been made with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and an order for automotive maintenance and equipment has been placed. Lists of equipment in the woodworking and electrical fields that are out of dealers inventories have also been filed. While as yet we have no guarantees of obtaining these machines and tools, every effort is being made to secure surplus equipment for Waterville and make a vocational school a reality.

### SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The School Lunch and milk program has been subsidized by the Federal Production and Marketing Administration. The type A or complete lunch has been provided at Senior High and South Grammar Schools and milk, Type C, distributed at the other buildings. During the month of January 9755 Type A meals and 12881 Type C were served and the subsidy for the month was \$1135.57. The lunch at South Grammar is under the sponsorship of the South Parent Teacher Association and has been very successful. The cafeteria service at Senior High has been steadily improved and additional equipment is being obtained. The Federal subsidy has made it possible to provide a better meal at reasonable rates.



## PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS

The splendid cooperation of the three organized parent-teacher associations with the school department has been very gratifying. These associations form a close bond of mutual understanding between the home and school. The projects carried on have been particularly valuable and have provided services and features that would not otherwise have been available.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

## Resources

Appropriation -----	\$205,000 00
Supplemental Appropriation -----	13,414 77
Total -----	<hr/> 218,414 77

## Expenditures

Teachers Salaries	
Elementary -----	\$105,804 13
Secondary -----	37,623 33
Janitors -----	11,776 74
Conveyance -----	6,443 36
Textbooks -----	3,135 09
Supplies -----	2,842 63
Light and Power -----	3,013 99
Water -----	213 07
Fuel -----	10,825 80
Physical Education -----	3,698 32
Manual Training -----	5,032 50
Home Economics -----	4,944 53
Nurse -----	2,341 05
Music -----	3,624 15
Repairs to Equipment -----	535 34
Repairs to Buildings -----	2,517 44
New Equipment -----	635 45
Superintendent and Clerk -----	6,345 62
School Physician -----	500 00
Library -----	93 14
Miscellaneous -----	6,243 49
School Census -----	222 20
Total Expenditures -----	<hr/> \$218,411 37
Balance January 31, 1946 -----	3 40



The balance of the appropriations is very small but efforts were made to limit expenditures to funds available and provide in so far as possible the necessary equipment and materials for efficient classroom instruction. There have been many justifiable requests for replacement of worn-out and obsolete textbooks that have been denied approval due to insufficient funds.

In addition to the regular appropriation of \$205,000 the sum of \$13,414.77 was credited to the school accounts by a supplemental appropriation by the City Government. This sum represented the increase in State funds on account of the passage of the McKinnon Bill. In accordance with a vote of the Board of Education the proceeds from this fund were distributed equally among the teachers. The sum of \$2,377 was available for salary increases from the regular appropriation and allowed only a 1.5% increase in salaries. Obviously this amount was inadequate to provide for regular salary increments provided in the salary schedule and at the same time allow an adjustment for increased living costs. The addition of the McKinnon funds made a total increase in the salary account of approximately 10 per cent.

A comparison of per capita costs in the cities of Maine indicates that the schools of Waterville are being operated very economically and in fact far below the average. As educational opportunity is determined to a large extent by the funds available it is evident that the offering to the boys and girls of Waterville is being limited accordingly. I believe that the parents and citizens of Waterville desire and are deserving of the best for their children. The budget for the coming year should not be curtailed due to a short fiscal year but rather should afford an opportunity to expand the curriculum and make some of the repairs and improvements that are greatly needed.

The Board of Education has approved the principle of a book-keeping system that would allow departmental credits. In keeping with this principle I would make the following recommendations:

1. That the budget for the coming year be set up with credits allowable for State Funds, tuitions, rentals and miscellaneous revenues.
2. That balances or deficits be carried forward.



3. That the 1946 appropriation for current expenses be subdivided into two accounts: 1. School Fund Account including teachers salaries, janitors, fuel, textbooks and supplies. II. Account for Special Purposes—including Industrial and Physical Education, Superintendence and Repairs.

These recommendations are made in the belief that such a system of accounting would give a more complete and accurate picture of school receipts and expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,

KERMIT S. NICKERSON

Superintendent of Schools



## City Clerk's Report

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January 31, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Waterville, Maine

I herewith submit to you the following report, including fees collected through my office and paid to the City Treasurer for one year ending January 31, 1946.

Licenses for Junk and Second Hand Dealers -----	\$ 11 00
Licenses for Innkeeper -----	6 00
Licenses for Victualers -----	50 00
Licenses for Pool and Billard Rooms -----	60 00
Licenses for Motion Picture Theatres and Operators --	40 00
Licenses for Hot Dog Stands -----	10 00
Licenses for Taxis -----	290 00
Licenses for Bowling Alleys -----	10 00
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Taxes Collected -----	\$477 00

During the year, the City Clerk's Office has been on a salary basis, the City paying the City Clerk a salary of \$1,800 per year, and the Deputy Clerk \$1,200 per year, a total of \$3,000 in salaries. In return, the City is assigned all statutory fees which the City Clerk is authorized to retain under the Laws of the State of Maine.

During the year, the City Clerk's Office has paid to the City Treasurer in cash on account of fees assigned to the City by the City Clerk, the amount of ----- \$1,886 70



The City, although legally required to pay for the same by law, was relieved from paying the City Clerk fees in the amount of

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\$ 802 00

This amount is broken down as follows:

Recorded Births -----	679 @ .25	\$169 75
Recorded Stillbirths -----	14 @ .25	3 50
Recorded Marriages -----	254 @ .25	63 50
Recorded Deaths -----	304 @ .25	76 00
Recorded Oaths -----	171 @ .25	42 75
Recorded Corrections -----	132 @ .50	66 00
Service Men's Certificates, Marriage and Birth for use in obtain- ing allotments and benefits ----	761 @ .50	380 50
Total -----		\$802 00

Adding to these figures the amount of \$450.00, which was the usual salary received by the City Clerk in the past, the amount actually turned over to the City in cash and the amount the City would have otherwise paid out totals \$3,138.70

Considering the fact that many hunting and fishing licenses are now issued without fee to veterans, and the fact, that as yet, conditions are such that citizens are unable to buy automobiles and the various types of household appliances and other equipment which are customarily handled by conditional sales agreements or personal property mortgages, I am still of the opinion, that the operation of the City Clerk's Office on the salary basis entails no financial loss to the City, but in fact, when conditions are normal, the City would reap a profit.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Deputy Clerk, Mrs. Marie MacArthur, for her efficiency and cooperation in the conduct of the office.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES N. NAWFEL,

City Clerk



## Report of Assessors

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Waterville, Maine, February 8, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The following is our report for the fiscal year:

On July 12, 1945, we committed to John E. Rowell, Collector of Taxes, for collection, lists of taxes on polls, real estate, and personal estate, subject to assessment for the year beginning April 1, 1945, as follows to wit:

On Polls, 3,884 @ \$3.00 per poll -----	\$ 11,652 00
On Real Estate 11,792,190 @ 45 Mills -----	530,648 55
On Personal Estate \$1,861,240 @ 45 Mills -----	83,755 80

From time to time we submitted to John E. Rowell, Collector of Taxes, for collection, a supplemental list of taxes, of polls and estate subject to assessment, amounting to \$626.75.

For State Tax -----	\$106,686 64
For County Tax -----	18,680 02
For City Tax -----	500,689 69
Grand Total -----	<hr/> \$626,056 35

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS C. RANCOURT, Chairman

CHARLES F. JONES

RALPH F. THURSTON

Violet Rancourt, Clerk



# Report of Health Officer

Waterville, Maine, Feb. 11, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

I hereby submit my report as Health Officer for the year ending Dec. 31, 1945.

## CAUSES AND THE NUMBER OF ADULT DEATHS FOR THE YEAR 1945

	Resident deaths in city	Resident deaths out- side city	Non-resident deaths in city	Total
Poliomyelitis -----	0	1	0	1
Diphtheria -----	4	0	0	4
Malignant diphtheria -----	1	0	0	1
Pulmonary tuberculosis -----	5	1	1	7
Cancer -----	22	1	8	31
Cerebral Hemorrhage -----	12	2	3	17
Disease of arteries -----	10	0	1	11
Organic disease of heart -----	43	4	9	56
Angina pectoris -----	27	1	6	34
Lobar pneumonia -----	5	0	2	7
Broncho pneumonia -----	0	0	2	2
Pneumonia non-specified -----	0	1	1	2
Infectious mononucleosis -----	1	0	0	1
Appendicitis -----	1	0	0	1
Chronic nephritis -----	4	1	4	9
Acute nephritis -----	0	0	1	1



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Intestinal obstruction -----	0	0	2	2
Surgical embolysm -----	2	0	2	4
Uremia -----	4	1	5	10
Diabetes mellitus -----	2	0	4	6
Burns accidental -----	2	0	1	3
Trauma by fall -----	2	0	3	5
Trauma by wrestling -----	0	0	1	1
Trauma by auto -----	0	0	4	4
Trauma by train -----	1	0	4	5
Suicide by hanging -----	0	0	1	1
Electrocution, accidental ----	1	0	0	1
Embolism -----	2	0	2	4
Meningitis -----	0	0	1	1
Peritonitis -----	1	0	0	1
Septicimia -----	1	0	0	1
Accidental drowning -----	2	1	0	3
Cirrhosis of liver -----	1	1	3	5
Aplastic anemia -----	0	1	0	1
Gas gangrene -----	0	0	1	1
Alcoholism, acute -----	2	0	1	3
Epilepsy -----	1	0	0	1
Acute hemorrhagic pancreatitis -----	0	0	1	1
Leukemia -----	0	0	1	1
Acute cholecystitis -----	1	0	0	1
Cerebral abscess -----	0	0	1	1
Pyonephrosis -----	0	0	1	1
Brain tumor -----	0	0	1	1
Pulmonary edema from smoke -----	1	0	0	1
Acute rheumatic fever -----	1	0	1	2
Bulbar paralysis -----	1	0	0	1
Unspecified -----	2	0	3	5
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Total	165	16	82	263

Maternal deaths	Residents	Non-Residents	Total
Post partum hemorrhage -----	1	0	1
Eclampsia -----	0	1	1
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Total -----	1	1	2



## FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

## LIVE BIRTHS BY MONTHS, 1945

	To resident mothers in our hospitals	To resident mothers at home	To resident mothers outside of city	To non-resident mothers in our hospitals	Total
January	24	1	0	22	47
February	19	1	0	32	52
March	31	1	0	27	59
April	21	4	0	30	55
May	18	0	3	24	45
June	24	0	1	32	57
July	27	0	0	33	60
August	23	0	0	33	56
September	20	1	0	42	63
October	22	1	0	30	53
November	23	2	0	23	48
December	20	1	0	33	54
Total	272	12	4	361	649



## INFANT DEATHS

Causes	Resident	Non-Residents	Total
Gastroenteritis	1	0	1
Pneumonia	1	1	2
Injury at birth	3	1	4
Congenital malformations	2	1	3
Atelectasis	1	0	1
Prematurity	4	10	14
Infectious diarrhea	2	0	2
Lepto meningitis	0	1	1
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Total	14	14	28

## TOTAL DEATHS

	Residents	Non-Residents	Total
Adults	181	82	263
Maternal	1	1	2
Infants	14	14	28
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Total	196	97	293

Adult mortality rate for residents 11.52

Material mortality rate 3.46

Infant mortality rate 49.30



FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES BY MONTHS 1945

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	1945		1944	
													Cases Reported	Deaths	Cases Reported	Deaths
Diphtheria	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	14	2	16	5	1	0
Scarlet Fever	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	0	6	0
Typhoid Fever	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0	0	0	0
German Measles	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	0	0	1	0
Whooping Cough	24	23	53	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	108	0	5	0
Influenza	..	4	..	..	5	..	..	..	3	3	2	..	0	0	32	1
Mumps	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	0	0	0
Small Pox	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	0	0	0	0
Chicken-Pox	22	10	2	1	8	3	2	2	..	..	..	..	51	0	81	0
Tuberculosis	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	6	4	3
Poliomyelitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	0	0
Pneumonia	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	6	1	2
Septic Sore Throat	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	0	7	0
Vincent's Angina	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	0	0	2	0
Undulant Fever	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	0	1	1
Tetanus	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0	0	0	0
Meningitis Epid.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0	0	0	0
Measles	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0	0	462	0
TOTAL	49	39	55	3	16	3	5	3	6	4	17	2	203	18	602	6



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Statistics concerning diphtheria epidemic in Waterville for period extending from September 25, 1945 to January 30, 1946:

Number of Cultures taken -----	1215	
Results:		
No. K. L. found -----	1009	
K. L. found non-virulent -----	154	
K. L. found virulent -----	37	
No reports received from State Laboratory	15	
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	1215	1215
 Families quarantined -----		12
Persons in families quarantined -----		72
Number of diagnostic and release cultures taken in these families -----		309
Persons in these families with cultures always negative ---		47
Persons in these families with non-virulent K. L. found --		8
Persons in these families with VIRULENT K. L. found ---		17
 Persons with VIRULENT K. L. found, No Clinical symptoms (Carriers) -----		5
 Patients with throat suggestive of diphtheria K. L. Non-Virulent round -----		15
Patients with throat suggestive of diphtheria and with 2 neg. cultures -----		3
 Personal patient with very bad throat, and non-virulent K. L. and who did not respond to antitoxin -----		1
Personal patients with throad symptoms and VIRULENT K. L. who did not respond to antitoxin -----		2
Patients whom I personally observed (and I did not canvass all the physicians who gave antitoxin to their patients) who had throats suggestive of diphtheria and who did not respond to antitoxin -----		9
 Number of deaths attributed to diphtheria -----		5
Number of patients cultured before death -----		3
Number of K. L. found in these cases -----	2	
Number of No K. L. found -----	1	
Number of K. L. found. No Virulence test performed	1	



Number K. L. found Virulence Test positive -----	1
K. L. found Post-Mortem. Culture destroyed by mistake before virulence test performed -----	1
Number of deaths K. L. found. POSITIVE VIRULENCE TEST -----	1
Number of deaths claimed by attending physicians as not being due to diphtheria but with Diphtheria appearing as cause of death on death certificates -----	2
Age incidence of those who had disease diagnosed as diphtheria: Youngest 3 years old Oldest 56 years old	
Interesting time interval between appearance of cases in one family: 1st case, October 24, 1945 2nd case, October 31, 1945 3rd and 4th case, November 14, 1945 5th case, December 3, 1945 6th case, December 8, 1945	
Number of children above 8 years old Schick tested -----	103
Positive tests -----	79
Negative tests -----	24
Adults Schick tested to test immunity in community -----	7
Positive tests -----	5
Number of diphtheria carriers, (Virulent K. L. found) Schick tested 2 weeks after 2 negative cultures were obtained from throats -----	2
Positive tests -----	2

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR R. DAVIAU, M. D.

Health Officer



# Street Commissioner's Report

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February 6, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor, City Council and Citizens of Waterville:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Commissioner of Streets and Sewers for the year ending January 31, 1946.

## SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

From January 31, 1945 to January 31, 1946 there has been an official snowfall of 68 inches. Many of these snow storms caused icy conditions which resulted in an increase in cost per storm. When this occurs we immediately cover this ice with sand mixed with salt to protect our citizens. Many times exceptionally cold weather follows and the sand will not adhere to the ice, causing considerable trouble for the public and the Street Department.

Our Galion Power Grader has been in use this winter planing the street, plowing snow and pushing snow-banks back.

The appropriation shows an overdraft, whereas the weather is so variable during this season of the year that no definite appropriation can be accurately estimated.

Our two Four Wheel Drive trucks which were purchased this past summer have done an exceptionally fine job. Considering the age and condition of our other trucks they have done remarkably well.

## STREETS

In the Spring due to improper base and drainage our City Streets are never at their best.



It is customary during the Spring to patch these places with gravel and later when the frost is gone to smooth them in preparation for tarring. Last Spring we used 656½ cu. yds. of gravel on our streets.

Through the courtesy of Warren Bros. Roads Co. our streets were again swept with a power broom. Considerable ditches and culverts were cleaned this past year.

We have had some exceptionally heavy rains and winds this past year causing extra work and expenditures of this department. On maintenance of our streets and highways our Galion grader was used.

Our Street Department account shows an overdraft due to unforeseen emergencies and the purchase of our two Four Wheel Drive Trucks. The majority of the cost for these two trucks was taken from the Street Department funds.

Elm Street received a coat of Warrenite from the Post Office south to a point below Park Street.

During the past year we have had to purchase over 10,000 cu. yds. of gravel and sand. Need for a gravel pit for the City of Waterville is great.

We are fortunate in having the Warren Bros. Roads Company establish an asphalt plant in Benton. This product of Warren Bros. Roads Co. is the finest product which can be obtained for streets and sidewalks construction.

I am pleased to state that Temple Street from Elm Street to Front Street received an application of Warrenite this past year.

During the past year we have purchased an electric-welder, an air-compressor, a power-grease-gun and a small-tube-vulcanizer for use in this department.

Since the beginning of our term of office we have spent a considerable amount of money repairing our equipment, therefore keeping it in the best running condition possible.

I would like to stress the great need for a gravel and sand pit for the use of the City.



## SEWER MAINTENANCE

During the past season our catch basins have all been cleaned and several repaired.

We maintain 24 hour service on our sewers. Often times we have to flush or use our rods on some of our sewers which are inadequate.

We have answered several hundred calls for sewer work this past year. On Western Avenue we had to replace 400 ft. of sewer which was in a very bad condition. About 700 ft. of sewer has been laid on May Street Extension this year.

## SIDEWALKS

We have repaired 1160 ft. of gravel sidewalks this year. Tar has been applied to 1800 ft. of hard surfaced sidewalks to prevent them from deteriorating further.

## COUNTRY ROADS AND BRIDGES

Last Spring we used 1041 cu. yds. of gravel on our Country Roads. Several of these should be resurfaced this coming year.

Minor repairs have been made on the wooden bridges on the County Road and Drummond Avenue. Western Avenue bridge was replanked this past summer.

## SURFACE TREATMENT

Several of our streets received a scarifying and rolling before the annual application of tar. We used (30,000) gals. of tar which was purchased from the Independent Coal Tar Company.

## STATE AID HIGHWAY

During the past year a section of Western Avenue was excavated and rebased with heavy gravel. Warren Bros. Roads Company contracted the surfacing of this road with five inches of Warrenite being applied.



The citizens of Waterville can be proud of this road as this is one of the finest in the State of Maine.

### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EQUIPMENT

1. That a one-half cu. yd. power shovel be purchased.
2. That sewer equipment be purchased for replacement.
3. That a new sidewalk tractor be added to this department.
4. That new V-plows with dual-wings be purchased for our two Four Wheel Drive Trucks, to utilize the full amount of work that these trucks can do.
5. That a portable Air-compressor be purchased.

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STREET DEPARTMENT

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Credits	Net Cost
Sewers -----	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 4,388.17		\$ 4,388.17
Street Department -----	30,000.00	34,147.30	\$468.90	33,678.40
Sidewalks -----	3,000.00	782.34		782.34
Surface Treatment -----	12,000.00	12,068.44	11.00	12,057.44
State Aid Highway -----	2,000.00	37,249.67		37,249.67
Patrol and Maintenance -----	350.00			
Snow and Ice Removal -----	17,000.00	23,032.15	385.52	22,646.63
Country Roads and Bridges -----	1,000.00	994.77		994.77
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	\$67,850.00	\$112,662.84	\$865.42	\$111,797.42

*End of Maint. Work account*



## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the City install storm-sewers in several sections of the city where the need is exceptionally great.
2. That a sidewalk program be carried on during the coming year.
3. That a gravel pit be purchased.

## IN CONCLUSION

I wish to thank the Honorable Mayor, members of the City Council, City Engineer, and the other Department heads for their fine cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND CILLEY,

Street Commissioner



## Report of City Electrician

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To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Waterville

Gentlemen:

Due to the difficulty of getting materials, not as much reconstruction of the fire alarm system has been done as I would have liked. Orders for material of last year have been only partially delivered as of now. This has been a serious handicap. In spite of this I have been able to complete one major installation of new tanks at the fire station. These were badly needed as the old ones were thirty-five years old and dangerous, also being condemned by the inspectors. These new tanks give much more capacity, with ample chance for increase in demand in the future.

It has been my practice to give thought of the future by using the best of materials. I would not make an installation of inferior substitutes as this would not be an improvement.

I have started at the heart of the system to rebuild it completely, taking the things that were more serious first. This is necessary as the system is very old and deteriorated. It should take about three more years to complete, with a reasonable expense each year.

I have followed the suggestions of the Underwriters Insurance Inspectors closely as their findings greatly effect the insurance rates.

Respectfully submitted,

T. W. TEAGUE,

City Electrician



## Report of Milk Inspector

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To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Waterville, Me., I hereby submit my report as Milk Inspector for the year ending January 31, 1946.

No. retail dealers -----	21
No. pasteurizing plants -----	4
No. quarts milk delivered daily ---	7650
Samples of milk examined -----	752

One violation of milk regulations was prosecuted. Added water of 25% was the cause of fine and costs to one producer.

The Waterville market area has had adequate supply for the actual needs of the public for fluid milk. However cream is and has been not of sufficient quantity to supply the demands of the consumer as yet.

Dairy feeds are short and the future supply for the next twelve months will be below normal.

Signed

DR. P. R. BAIRD,

Inspector



# Report of Police Department

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February 13, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council,

Waterville, Maine

Gentlemen:

The Board of Police in submitting its report for the fiscal year, wish to recommend an increase of regular patrolmen from eight to eleven men. This increase would make it possible for the officers to work on a six day basis, like the other City Departments, and also like the Police Departments of other New England cities. This increase in the personnel would mean also better enforcement of traffic regulations, and better Police protection for the citizens of Waterville.

Respectfully submitted,

ULYSSES PONSANT, Chairman

HENRY J. KELLY

JOSEPH R. POULIN



## ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1946

Accessory Before the Fact -----	3
Allowing Truancy -----	2
Army Deserters -----	5
Arrested for Out of Town Officers -----	11
Assault and Battery -----	32
Assault and Battery upon an Officer -----	3
Assault and Battery (Aggravated) -----	1
Attempt to Break and Enter -----	2
Attempted Larceny of Automobile -----	1
Attempt to Operate an automobile while under the influence of liquors -----	2
Begging -----	5
Breaking, Entering and Larceny -----	4
Broken Probation -----	3
Capias -----	3
Defrauding an Inn-keeper -----	1
Desertion and Non-support -----	1
Driving from the scene of accident without making himself known -----	9
Employment of Minors -----	2
Escape -----	1
Habitual Truant -----	1
Idle and Disorderly with no visible means of support -----	10
Illegal sale of Intoxicating Liquors -----	4
Inadequate Brakes -----	1
Indecent Liberties -----	2
Insane -----	6
Intoxication -----	340
Keeping a House of Ill-Fame -----	1
Keeping a Vicious Dog -----	3
Larceny -----	22
Larceny of Automobile -----	10
Lascivious in Speech and Behavior -----	17
Loitering on Private Property -----	1
Malicious Mischief -----	3
Navy Straggler -----	2
Neglect to Provide for Family -----	13
No Inspection Sticker -----	48
Operating an Automobile while under the influence of intoxi- cating liquors -----	26
Operating an Automobile without proper registration -----	1
Operating an Automobile without a license -----	21



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Operating a steam boiler without a certificate -----	1
Passing R. R. Stop Signal -----	2
Permitting a Female under 16 to remain in an immoral place -----	1
Permitting Lewdness -----	1
Reckless Driving -----	2
Robbery from the Person -----	5
Runaways -----	4
Search for Intoxicating Liquors -----	1
Search for Stolen Goods -----	9
Selling Adulterated Milk -----	2
Single Sale -----	4
Sodomy -----	1
Speeding -----	10
Taking car without owner's permission -----	1
Truancy -----	2
Violation of City Ordinances -----	18
Violation of Street Regulations -----	22
Violation of Liquor Laws -----	1
Wilful Vexation -----	2

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## DISPOSAL OF CASES

Appealed -----	7
Bail Forfeited -----	4
Bound Over -----	21
Case Continued -----	17
Committed to County Jail -----	52
Discharged -----	32
Insane Hospital -----	6
Ordered out of town -----	1
Paid Fine and Costs -----	75
Paid Costs -----	237
Placed on File -----	32
Placed on Probation -----	213
Prisoners turned over to out of town officers -----	35
Search and Nothing Found -----	7
Search and Seizure -----	3
Reformatory at Skowhegan -----	2
Reformatory at South Windham -----	1
State School for Boys -----	1
State School for Girls -----	3
Turned over to Parents -----	2

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Accidental deaths (Auto) -----	1
Accidental deaths (Other causes) -----	3
Assistance given outside police Depts. (No. of times) -----	20
Assistance given Sheriff's Dept. (No. of times) -----	41
Assistance given State Police (No. of times) -----	38
Assistance given Game Wardens (No. of times) -----	4
Automobile Accidents (Investigated) -----	320
Automobiles found abandoned -----	4
Bad places in sidewalk (Reported) -----	17
Bad places in Street (Reported) -----	19
Bicycles Reported Stolen -----	33
Bicycles Recovered -----	28
Breaks -----	39
Breaks (Attempted) -----	13
Breaks in water mains (Reported) -----	4
Broken tree limbs reported lying in street -----	11
Catch Basins reported plugged -----	14
Complaints about dogs reported to dog officer -----	89
Complaints about boys playing ball in street or parks -----	36
Complaints about mischief done by children -----	117
Complaints about prowlers around houses -----	43
Complaints about window peepers -----	13
Dead Cats found in street (Disposed of by police) --	53
Dead persons found by police -----	
Doctors called for sick persons by police -----	33
Doors of business places found unlocked (Owners notified) -----	184
Disturbance in public places (Police called) -----	323
Disturbance in streets (Police called) -----	613
Family disturbance (No arrests) -----	143
Fire Alarm boxes pulled by police -----	3
Fires discovered by police -----	10
Fires put out by police -----	3
Fires telephoned by police -----	6
Gas pumps found unlocked by police -----	2
Injured persons cared for by police -----	37
Lodgers put up for the night -----	325
Lost children found by police (Returned to parents) -----	41
Lost pocketbooks found by police -----	8
Missing persons located by police -----	13
Murders -----	
Obstructions in street (Removed by police) -----	31
Persons found sick in street (Cared for by police) -----	28
Persons bitten by dogs -----	2



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Persons taken to Hospital by police -----	44
Persons taken out of public places by police -----	114
Persons struck by automobiles -----	33
Radio messages received from State Police -----	3239
Radio messages dispatched by Waterville Police ---	1971
Robbery from the persons (Reported to police) ---	8
Runaway children located by police -----	11
Sidewalks blocked by Autos (Removed by police) --	197
Skunks killed by police -----	1
Stolen automobiles reported to police -----	17
Stolen automobiles recovered by police -----	17
Stolen goods recovered by police other than automo- biles (Value) -----	\$2,000.00
Suicides -----	
Suicides (Attempted) -----	1
Suspicious persons questioned by police (No arrests)	201
Street lights reported out by police -----	63
Vandalism -----	2
Warnings given for violations of City Ordinances --	500
Windows found open or unlocked (Owners notified)	33
Wires down across street (Reported) -----	11
Goods found on street after business hours (App. value) -----	\$800.00
Lost property returned to owners (App. value) ----	\$2,287.95
Stolen automobiles returned to owners (App. value)	\$10,989.00
Amount of money collected by Municipal Court from Arrests -----	\$4,128.73



## Report of City Engineer

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February 1, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:

The past year has shown more activity in this department owing to the closing of the war, as more material having been available.

The largest project was the building of Western Avenue. This was a State Aid Road. When we started this work, we had good reason to believe the sewers were in good condition as they were built about 1935 by the E. R. A. However, we found that about four hundred (400) feet of this new sewer was split on the top sides and bottom, so it was necessary to rebuild it.

On this, the Warren Brothers Road Company laid a thirty foot bituminous concrete roadway, giving an excellent surface.

It is very desirable to extend the work on Western Avenue to Mt. Merici, a distance of a quarter of a mile. When the bridge at the pumping station is built, Warrenite top should be laid from the new bridge to the east end of the present work.

By the way, Warren Brothers have located in Benton, and I trust the City will avail itself of their services and materials. The Street Commissioner is responsible, in large measure, for their locating in this vicinity.

Several short pieces of sidewalk and sewers were repaired, and about 700 feet of sewer built on May Street Extension.

There is work agreed upon as follows:



Main Street, Warrenite, Warren Bros. 1900 feet—30 feet wide

May Street Extension, 700 feet, sewer already built, on Lewis J. Rosenthal's housing development

Street on Beverly Hills—C. F. Poulin, Street 1800 feet, sewer 1500 feet

Silvermount, Dr. Poulin, Street 1500 feet, sewer 1300 feet

Columbia Road, sewer 700 feet

And with the County and State, Western Avenue Bridge

I would like to pass on for consideration of the Planning Board, the following suggestions: The condition of our streets, sewers and sidewalks is deplorable. No one is to blame for this as we were far over our debt limit. The past City Governments and Finance Board have done an excellent job in reducing our bonded debt to less than \$435,000, and have laid aside about \$125,000 for Post War Work.

For the past two years, I have urged a plan for Post War Work, but nothing has been done. I feel the City should make a complete survey and plan showing our streets and sidewalks on the surface, and all sewers, water pipes, gas pipes, conduits, etc., underground, together with grades so the City may know what is has. From these data, plans can be made and a program for construction started. Without this information, the City will spend a large sum of money and much of it will be wasted.

Again, I want to state the immediate necessity of obtaining a gravel pit. The past year, the City has been obliged to purchase 11,119 cubic yard of gravel and sand. Some of this came from the Emery Hill pit in Fairfield.

The Street Department is sadly in need of power shovel.

The City plans will soon be stored in a vault where they will be safe from fire.



In conclusion, I wish to state that I believe during the coming year, the new City Government will do well to carry on the regular work, do the other agreed upon, and plan for the future. Our excellent financial condition will allow an annual construction budget of \$50,000 to \$70,000.

Thanking you each and every one, and all other department heads and assistants, and particularly the Street Commissioner, for your many kindnesses and courtesies, I am,

Very truly yours,

HARRY E. GREEN,

City Engineer



# Report of Plumbing Inspector

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Waterville, Maine, Feb. 9, 1946

To Arthur Daviau, M. D., Health Officer:

I hereby submit my report as Plumbing Inspector for the year ending January 31, 1946.

Number of permits issued ----- 95

Number of inspections made in connection with plumbing work  
done in the city ----- 95

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE JOLER,

Plumbing Inspector



## Report of City Park Commission

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To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Government:

The Park Commission operating as in the past years herewith submits the following report:

Our appropriation was overdrawn on account of the severe storm which we had in May. Many trees had to be cut as a result of this storm and many more will have to be taken care of during this year. I would suggest that we start a replacement program to replace the trees which have had to be cut and the ones still to be removed.

We haven't been able to do anything about the swimming pool, but are very glad to hear the Kiwanis Club will put it back into operation.

We have transferred the Front Street Rink to the Whipple Bowl and I wish to thank Colby College and "Bill" Millett for the fine help and cooperation they have given us during the year.

The South End Skating Rink was well taken care of. Our Parks were kept in a very neat appearance by Mr. Giguere. The Playgrounds were operated at South Grammar School and North Grammar School.

I have been a member of the Park Commission for the past nine years, and as this is my last year on this commission, I take this opportunity to thank the P. T. A., Women's Club, and all who have worked with me during these years.

I also wish, at this time, to thank the Honorable Mayor George J. Doyle, the Street Commissioner and his department, and all other members of the Commission for their kind cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH V. BOLDUC, Chairman



# Report of Fire Department

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January 31, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

I herewith submit the following report of the Fire Department for the year ending January 31, 1946.

## BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Grover D. Lovejoy, Chief Engineer; Napoleon J. Marshall, First Assistant Engineer; Ralph E. Gilman, Second Assistant Engineer.

## DRIVERS

Ralph Blunt, Captain; Harry Roux, Lieutenant; Robert Beane, Wallace Gullifer, Leo Lessard, Andrew Michaud, David Morin, Rufus Page, Lawrence Peters, George Vashon.

## HOSE CO. NO. 1

Errold Gilman, Captain and fourteen men.

## HOOK & LADDER CO. No. 1

Francis Wilson, Captain and fourteen men.

## HOSE CO. NO. 2

Harry Pooler, Captain and sixteen men.

## HOSE CO. NO. 3

Philbert Boulette, Captain and eleven men.



## HOSE CO. No. 4

Bertrand Marshall, Captain and eleven men.

## APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

1-1265 g.p.m. Seagrave pumper with booster; 1-750 g.p.m. Mack pumper with booster; 1-750 g.p.m. Seagrave pumper with booster; 1 Stutz city service ladder truck; 1 Ford hose cart with booster; 1 Dodge utility truck; 1-500 g.p.m. Maxime trailer pump; 1 Buick Sedan.

## HOSE

This past year 1,000 ft. 2½ inch double jacket hose was purchased. The department now has on hand 18,600 ft. 2½ inch hose; 150 ft. 1½ inch hose and 950 ft. booster hose.

## REPAIRS TO HOUSES

No extensive repairs were made this year.

## FIRE ALARMS

The department responded to 408 calls, of which 193 were phone, 194 box, 13 personal, 6 sprinkler and 2 second alarms.

In extinguishing the fires 151 booster, 2 sprinkler, 62 chemical, 15 hydrant and 2 engine streams were used. Laid and wet 25,900 ft. 2½ inch hose, raised 1,682 ft. of ladders, used 126 gals. chemical, 16 cylinders C-O-Two, used Indian pumps on 47 fires and pumped 3½ hours.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the City purchase a Junior Aerial Ladder Truck to replace the one now in use 24 years.
2. That a two door House be constructed in the north end of the City to replace House No. 4 which is in bad condition.

Respectfully submitted,

GROVER D. LOVEJOY,

Chief Engineer



# Waterville Public Library

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Waterville, Maine February 4, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The Trustees of the Waterville Public Library herewith submit their report for the year ending January 31, 1946.

The past year has been a busy one and the work of the staff has been attended with more or less difficulty. Three members of the staff resigned during the year; Miss Hazelton on June 11, Mrs. Suto on August 31 and Miss Merrill on December 31. As these were all trained or experienced assistants, their absence has been felt.

It has been found impossible to produce a trained Children's Librarian at the present time for any salary which we could pay with our limited means. In view of the increased cost of living it is absolutely essential that we be able to revise our salary scale upward so as to at least aid in meeting these costs and we most earnestly request the incoming City Government to increase the library appropriation so that we may have funds available for this purpose as well as to meet the added costs of upkeep and maintenance of the library.

We feel that we may justly take pride in the service to the community which has been rendered by the public library and are most anxious to increase rather than diminish this service.

During the year gifts have been numerous. The Library and Music Department of the Waterville Woman's Club gave the Children's Department a check for sixty-five dollars. Miss Exerene Flood gave her collection of two hundred fifty plays to the



library. Mrs. Frank Goodrich and Miss Margaret Abbott, gave to the Children's Department, in memory of their mother, Mrs. Emma Boothby Abbott, a set of thirty-seven volumes written by Sophie May. The local Rotary Club purchased for the Young People's Department seventy-five Merit Badge Pamphlets for Boy Scouts. Miss Florence E. Dunn has placed in the library four books written by her mother, Martha Baker Dunn. She also gave three interesting photographs of the building formerly occupied by the present Post Office site. Eugene Crawford gave an album with twenty-nine scenes of Waterville. Lt. Henry Rancourt sent two books of cartoons by Bill Mauldin.

In all three hundred fifty-six books have been given by individuals. The total accession for the year is one thousand eight hundred and three, of which three hundred were for the Junior Room. The average circulation was three hundred twenty-four books per day.

We regret that Book Week which has always been a big event in the Juvenile Department could not be observed this year because of the epidemic of sickness among the children. All plans had been made for the children to visit the library by grades and a program had been arranged for each afternoon.

The Trustees wish to extend their appreciation of the support which has been accorded by the City Government and so many members of the public.

The report of the Treasurer and a statistical sheet are submitted herewith.

In behalf of the Trustees.

CARROLL N. PERKINS,

President



REPORT OF TREASURER  
OF WATERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

February 1, 1946

**Receipts**

Appropriation—City of Waterville -----	\$ 7,500 00
Fines and Books Sold -----	1,000 72
Alice Getchell Fund -----	10 05
Emma Scates Knauff Fund -----	20 10
Arnold-Furbish Fund -----	13 52
Thayer Fund -----	801 75
Redington Fund -----	412 00
Blaisdell Fund -----	1,555 86
Helen L. (Fletcher) Atkins Fund -----	50 00
Evelyn A. (Fletcher) Gibbs Fund -----	40 00
Sadie L. Emery Fund -----	60 00
Mary J. Hill Fund -----	135 00
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	\$11,599 00
Balance on hand February 1, 1945 -----	851 25
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	\$12,450 25

Interest Thayer Medical Fund -----	\$ 40 20
Expenditures -----	32 50

**Expenditures**

Librarian and Assistants -----	\$ 5,271 93
Janitor -----	934 76
Fuel -----	591 93
Lighting -----	435 58
Supplies -----	195 89
Books -----	3,002 36
Periodicals -----	183 60
Miscellaneous Expense -----	456 69
Binding Books -----	102 91
Maintenance -----	154 73
Bank Charges -----	1 72
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	\$11,332 10
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1946 -----	1,118 15
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	\$12,450 25



## INVESTED FUNDS

**On Deposit in Waterville Savings Bank**

Alice Getchell Fund .....	\$ 500 00
Emma Scates Knauff Fund .....	1,000 00

**On Deposit in Depositors Trust Company**

Arnold-Furbish Fund .....	898 66
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**On Deposit in Federal Trust Company**

Thayer Medical Fund .....	2,000 00
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**In Safety Deposit Box**

Thayer Fund (15 bonds, 8 shares European & No. Am. Ry., 10 Pennsy Ry., 25 Gen. Elec. Co., 12 Am. T&T, 10 Pub. Svc. New Hamp- shire \$5 series) Approximate Value .....	21,230 00
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Redington Fund (7 Bonds, 20 shares CMP Co. 7% Pfd., 8 Am. T&T Stock) Approximate Value .....	10,536 00
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The Helen L. (Fletcher) Atkins Fund 1 Bond—Approximate Value .....	1,000 00
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The Evelyn A. (Fletcher) Gibbs Fund 1 Bond—Approximate Value .....	1,100 00
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Mary J. Hill Fund 5 Bonds—Approximate Value .....	5,025 00
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Sadie L. Emery Fund (10 shares CMP Co. \$6 Div. Series PFD Stock) Approximate Value .....	1,075 00
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# WATERVILLE, MAINE

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Blaisdell Fund (9-\$100, 1-\$500, \*25-\$1000  
Bonds, 5 shares Dupont \$4.50 Pfd., 5 CMP  
Co. \$6 Div. Series, 5 CMP Co. 7% Pfd., 50  
Gt. Am. Ins. Co., 20 Am. T&T, 40 Cons. Ed-  
ison, 30 Pennsy Ry., 22 European & No. Am.  
Ry.

Approximate Value ----- 40,155 00

\*-( $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1 Thayer Fund)

Mary J. Hill (Special)

1 Bond—Approximate Value ----- 1,005 00

## UN-INVESTED FUNDS

Thayer Fund -----	126 00
Redington Fund -----	268 97
Helen A. (Fletcher) Atkins Fund -----	9 98
Blaisdell Fund -----	730 41

## UN-EXPENDED FUNDS

Thayer Fund for Medical Books -----	90 17
Children's Room -----	142 60
Wheeler Fund for Children's Books -----	68 17
Hill (For special maintenance) -----	5 07

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE D. HEGARTY. Treasurer

I have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Waterville Public Library and find them correct. I have also examined the bonds and stock certificates in the Safety Box and find them in accordance with the Treasurer's report.

WARREN A. BROOKS,

Auditor—City of Waterville



## STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Year Ending January 31, 1946

**New Borrowers**

Adult department -----	549
Juvenile department -----	206

**Book Collection**

Volumes in library Feb. 1, 1945 -----	32,407
Number added -----	1803
Number worn out -----	1105
Number withdrawn -----	1102
Volumes in library Jan. 31, 1946 -----	32,003

**Circulation**

## Adult department:

Fiction -----	52,805
Non-fiction -----	16,988
Total adult circulation -----	69,793
Decrease from last year of 3182, or 4%	

Juvenile circulation -----	15,849
Decrease from last year of 3707, or 19%	

Picture circulation -----	12,566
Increase over last year of 1998, or 18%	

Total circulation -----	98,208
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Daily average -----	324
Circulation per capita -----	5.8
Decrease in circulation from last year 4891, or 4.7%	



## Report of City Physician

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Feb. 9, 1946

To his Honor the Mayor:

The health of the city charges this year has been comparatively good. There has been the average amount of illness. The epidemics in so far as I know did not materially affect the city charges.

Mrs. Gertrude Willey, in my opinion, has done a very efficient piece of work. This in turn made my work much easier.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN W. HARLOW, M. D.



# Report of City Planning Board

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January 31, 1946

Mayor George J. Doyle

City Hall

Waterville, Maine

The Planning Board, which has just recently been reorganized, has begun active consideration of many civic improvements. Two meetings have been held at which the majority of the members were present and certain definite recommendations are herewith listed. The following items are recommended for immediate action by the City Government:

1. Reinstallation of the traffic lights on Main Street and its intersections.
2. That a definite program for replacing trees be started under competent supervision since many of our elm trees are being cut.
3. That a committee be appointed at once by the Mayor to take immediate steps toward providing the city with definite zoning restrictions.
4. That an appropriation be designated to the Planning Board annually for expenses.
5. That a Citizens Committee be appointed to study the advisability of construction of a suitable community building, either as a unit or in connection with a possible new armory.



The following recommendations are made, but it is the intention of the Planning Board to make more comprehensive studies before making a definite recommendation:

1. That money be appropriated each year by the City Government for the construction of certain designated, permanent roads under capable supervision and in connection with this type of construction it is also recommended that the proper underground work be accomplished, insofar as possible, before a permanent road is laid. It is also the feeling that at the time permanent roads are constructed the gutters, curbs and sidewalks adjacent to the proposed new streets be included in the same construction.
2. That three playgrounds be designated in the north, center and south parts of the city and be provided with sufficient funds to insure proper supervision and upkeep.
3. The Planning Board is making a very definite study relative to the rebuilding or making certain improvements to the sewer system in the city with a provision for adequate sewerage disposal and a possible formation of a sewer district to be incorporated within the limits of the city of Waterville. This item will require much study and will possibly be necessary to obtain expert services, after which recommendations will be forthcoming to the City Government.

#### Summary:

The foregoing recommendations are thought by the Planning Board to be the most pertinent matters now confronting our city. Many other matters have been discussed and will be presented at future times, one of which is the use of the old Colby plant which will probably be sold in the near future. The ever present need for additional schools and possible improvement in the school system by addition of a vocational school are other matters which will receive the attention of the Planning Board at future sessions.

It is the desire of the planning Board to recommend improvements which will benefit the city over a period of years and to this



end we recommend constructive criticism from all interested citizens and will, from time to time, call upon many for advice in this connection.

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL SQUIRE, Chairman

FRANCIS ARMSTRONG, Secretary

F. HAROLD BUBORD

MISS EXERENE FLOOD

THOMAS DAILY



# Pine Grove Cemetery

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The following is an itemized account of all Receipts and Expenditures during the year of 1945.

## Cash Operating Statement for 1945

### Receipts.

Cash on Hand February 1, 1945	--	\$	57	12	
Annual Care	-----		887	50	
Foundations and Grading	-----		599	10	
Appropriations, City of Waterville			6,000	00	
Burials	-----		2,109	75	
Grading	-----		49	00	
Miscellaneous	-----		239	38	
Sale of Lots	-----	\$	880	00	
Perp. Care	-----		4,317	50	
Int. & Div.	-----		652	69	
			5,850	19	
					\$15,792 04

### Expenditures:

Labor	-----	\$	5,951	80	
Supt. Salary	-----		1,556	34	
Office Supplies	-----		84	15	
Cemetery Committee Salaries	-----		200	00	
Water, Lights & Telephone	-----		232	17	
Repairs	-----		171	37	
New Equipment	-----		728	50	
Tools	-----		11	93	
Unclassified	-----		16	01	
Miscellaneous	-----		305	37	
Gravel, Loam, Shrubbery	-----		214	00	
Gas and Oil	-----		151	52	
Perpetual Care Funds Transferred	-----		5,850	19	
					15,473 35
Cash on Hand January 31, 1946					318 69
					\$15,792 04



STATEMENT OF PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS ACCOUNT 1945  
INVESTMENTS

Bonds:	Value	Cost
1 U.S.A. War Savings Bond Series F No. X216564F -----	\$10,000.00	\$ 7,400.00
2 U.S.A. Defense—Series F, Due 12 years Dated Dec. 1942, X92927-8F -----	20,000.00	14,800.00
3 U.S.A. Defense, Series F, Due 12 years Dated Dec. 1942, No. 379198-99-200F -----	3,000.00	2,200.00
1 U.S.A. Defense, Series G 2½ % Dated Feb. 1942 No. X106439G	10,000.00	10,000.00
1 U.S.A. Defense, Series F, due 12 years, dated Dec. 1942, D219622F -----	500.00	370.00
4 U.S.A. Defense, Series F, due 12 years, dated Dec. 1942, No. C492544, 5, 6, 7F -----	400.00	296.00
1 U.S.A. Treasury, 3¼ of 1944, No. 77110L -----	1,000.00	1,037.19
1 U.S.A. Savings Bond, Series F, due 12 years, Dated June, 1945 No. V238002 -----	5,000.00	3,700.00
4 U.S.A. Treasury, M1165123, 1165829, 1165831, 1165832 -----	4,000.00	2,960.00
1 City of New York, Corporate Stock 4½ of 1967, No. 32071 -----	1,000.00	1,021.13
2 Town of Livermore, School District Bond 4% of 1945-46, No. 8-9 -----	2,000.00	2,130.97
1 City of Maisonneuve, 5% of 1954, No. 0780 (Called) -----		
1 City of Montreal 5% of 1954 G1056X (Replaced) -----	1,000.00	945.83



2 City and County of Dallas No. 1476-77 Dividend \$5.00 to \$22.50 at Maturity. Coupons unredeemed and on hand October 1, 1940, and subsequent. Coupons defaulted for 1939 year in amount of \$20.44 -----

2,000.00      1,963.80

\$48,830.92

**Stocks:**

6 Shares Standard Oil Stock Indiana Cert. No. 065340, Donated  
 10 Shares of Lockwood Co., Cert., 1197-1189 -----  
 5 Shares Lockwood Company, No. 5548-1922 -----  
 1 Share Minnesota Mining Co., Cert. No. 6094, Donated -----  
 1 Share Minnesota Mining Co., Cert. 3165L -----

\$ 150.00      \$ 150.00  
 500.00      500.00  
 250.00      250.00  
 No Par Value

900.00

5,630.97

Total Savings Investments -----  
 Total Perpetual Care Funds ----- \$97,127.68  
 Total Savings and Investments ----- 55,361.89  
 Net Debt -----

\$41,765.79

Respectfully submitted,

LEON B. BERRY  
 EUGENE WINSLOW  
 EUGENE P. LANDER



## Support of Poor

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February 15th, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:  
Waterville, Maine

Gentlemen:

My yearly report of the fiscal year ending January 31, 1946, as Clerk to the Overseers of the Poor, is herewith submitted.

It was a great honor to be appointed first woman Clerk to the Overseers of the Poor of our City, and I have performed by duties to the best of my ability, working with all types of people, some needing only encouragement and good sound advice rather than financial aid.

Investigations made on our clients have shown a decrease in the number of cases this year, finding some with sufficient income in the home, discontinuing aid from our city; others being transferred into other catagories, such as:

- 5 cases granted Aid to Dependent Children
- 1 case granted Aid to the Blind
- 3 cases granted Old Age Assistance
- 2 referred to Vocational Rehabilitation

We were especially pleased and fortunate in entering the first boy from the City of Waterville to Father Flanagan's Boys Town.

This Department has done Social Service work for our City, when called, aside from our own duties. Also were able to assist the Health Department with transportation during the recent epidemic.



Since taking office March 15, 1945, have clothed our needy in the Department with clothing secured from the City's W.P.A. stock now at South Grammar School.

The work has been most interesting—studying each case, taking personal interest in problems, making effort to help the client be self-supporting.

Altho this Department was cut \$5,000.00 for the year, we stayed within the appropriation, paying \$511.58 for bills accrued from previous year.

All bills contracted this year were requested to be in, and were paid to the 24th of January, 1946.

I have received most helpful and fine co-operation from our Mayor, Judge, Overseers, Police, Health, and Street Departments, as well as our local and State Agencies, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Albert at our City Home, so wish at this time to express openly my utmost appreciation. Co-operation means success.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE M. WILLEY,

Clerk to Overseers of Poor



## CITY POOR

## STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS AS OF

JANUARY 31st, 1946

Appropriation -----	\$25,000 00
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## Expenditures

Warrants drawn -----	\$22,663 31	
State & Outside Cities & Towns -----	2,420 28	
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		\$25,083 59
Total credits -----		6,910 36
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Total cost of City Poor --		\$18,173 23

## DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES

## Administration, Etc.

Salary of Clerk to Overseers -----	\$ 2,256 42
Clerk Hire -----	1,288 70
Office expense -----	138 30
Groceries & Provisions -----	5,545 47
Shoes -----	128 59
Fuel Oil -----	157 90
Boards & Rents -----	5,219 08
Cash support -----	150 18
Household supplies -----	11 80
Miscellaneous -----	172 15
Medical & Hospital -----	873 39
Truck & Car expense -----	840 35
Funerals -----	105 00

## City Home

Salaries -----	\$ 815 14
Groceries & provisions -----	471 85*
Fuel -----	323 60
Lights, telephone & water -----	185 10
Repairs & renewals -----	38 80

\*This is balance due after \$242.81 was deducted for eggs



# WATERVILLE, MAINE

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Livestock & feed -----	1,122 75
Miscellaneous -----	256 25

Total expenditures -----	\$ 3,213 49
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## Credits

Board paid by inmates -----	\$ 1,349 10
Produce -----	366 37
Miscellaneous -----	67 00

Total -----	\$ 1,783 07
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Net cost to City -----	\$ 1,430 42
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Wood & Wood Yard expense -----	\$ 2,562 49
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## Credits

80 cds. dry hard wood in Yd. -----	\$ 960 00
30 cds. slabs in Yd. -----	280 00
Delivered MPW Fund -----	148 50
Miscellaneous -----	136 10

Total -----	1,514 60
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Net cost to City -----	\$ 1,048 89
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Total expenditures -----	\$25,083 59
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## Total credits

City Home -----	\$ 1,783 07
Wood -----	1,514 60
Received from State -----	2,253 27
Due from State -----	478 26
Received from outside cities & towns -----	802 49
Due from outside cities & towns -----	78 67

Total -----	6,910 36
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Total cost of City Poor -----	\$18,173 23
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## City Solicitor's Report

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Feb. 12, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Waterville:

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of the City Solicitor for the year ending January 31, 1946.

During the year regular meetings of the City Council and some committee meetings were attended. Legal opinions were rendered to various department heads. Seventy-one letters were written on official matters.

Ordinances were drafted repealing certain war time ordinances of the City. An ordinance was drafted changing the fiscal year.

An answer was filed concerning the interest of the City in the Equity Proceedings in the case of Rose R. Haskell et als vs. Sisters of Charity et als.

A deed was secured from Wallace C. Perry for eight lots of land on Edgemont Avenue.

On May 22, 1945, Didyme Jacques of Waterville filed a petition in the Superior Court of Augusta in which he alleged ownership of land in the vicinity of Brooklyn Avenue and in which he alleged that the City of Waterville claimed a part of his land as being a part of Brooklyn Ave. The City Solicitor answered this petition.

At the October Term 1945 of the Superior Court, a hearing was had and the Court decreed that the City of Waterville should bring an action against Didyme Jacques to try its title to the land in question, said action to be returnable at the February Term 1946.



The City Solicitor brought such an action and seasonably filed the writ in the Kennebec Superior Court. The matter will be in order for hearing at the April 1946 Term.

There are no other suits pending in which the City is a party in interest.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY I. BIRD,

City Solicitor



# Report of Inspector of Buildings

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Buildings for the year ending January 31, 1946.

## New Construction:

Merle McCartney, 184-186 College Ave. -----	\$ 7,500 00
Peter P. Carey, 4 Donald St. -----	6,000 00
Peter P. Carey, 6 Donald St. -----	6,000 00
Raymond Willette, 70 Cool St. -----	3,600 00
Raymond Gagnon, North St. -----	5,500 00
Willard Mercier, Oakland Rd. -----	1,000 00
William Wallace, Vose Ct. -----	200 00
Emily Levensalor, 13 Brook St. -----	200 00
Robert Bigelow, 22 Pleasantdale Ave. -----	175 00
Maxwell Cunningham, Country Club Rd. -----	500 00
E. W. Gurney, King Ave. -----	400 00
A. G. Lemoin, 119 Western Ave. -----	200 00
Joseph Evans, 2 Chase Ave. -----	350 00
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Total New Construction -----	\$31,625 00

## Additions and Alterations:

Louis Shiro, Jefferson Hotel -----	\$23,000 00
E. L. Stedman, 14 Center St. -----	800 00
Josephat Giroux, 228 Main St. -----	175 00
George E. Wheeler, 101 Western Ave. -----	150 00
B. D. McLellan, 106 College Ave. -----	200 00
Leo Landry, 273 Main St. -----	200 00



Harris Baking Co., North St. -----	7,000 00
Mrs. R. C. Berry, 215 College Ave. -----	2,800 00
Joseph's Market, 74 Front St. -----	2,800 00
Robert Drapeau, 136 Main St. -----	3,000 00
Louise Gager, 179 Main St. -----	325 00
John M. Ayotte, 15 Morrill Ave. -----	1,100 00
John Tanner, 47 Water St. -----	5,000 00
Philip Vigue, 73 Grove St. -----	450 00
Sophie Gallant, Hughey St. -----	600 00
Leonard Michaud, 106 Oxford St. -----	400 00
Harold Strout, 37 Elm St. -----	800 00
Ernest Bolstridge, College Av. -----	1,000 00
Adlear Simoneau, 149 College Ave. -----	600 00
Ernest Poirier, 128 Western Av. -----	560 00
H. T. Winters, 152-154 Main St. -----	7,500 00
Gabriel Karter, 27-29 Temple St. -----	11,000 00
Joseph Talbot, 1st Rangeway -----	300 00
Alfred Drouin, Oakland Rd. -----	4,000 00
Orman Cummings, 20 Chaplin St. -----	600 00
Wilson Co., 8 Chaplin St. -----	1,000 00
Levi Michaud, 15 Sherwin St. -----	1,000 00
Mrs. Leo Warren, 13 Temple Ct. -----	2,800 00
Mrs. William Grondin, 20 Western Av. -----	1,500 00
Holman Belliveau, 8 Gold St. -----	900 00
J. & B. Tire Co., 210 College Ave. -----	8,000 00
Herman Jacobson, 15 Silver St. -----	600 00
Lincoln Stores Inc., 76 Main St. -----	8,000 00
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Total Additions and Alterations -----	\$98,160 00

Respectfully submitted,

LUKE N. MORRELL,

Inspector of Buildings



## Sealer of Weights and Measures

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To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:

Following is a report of the work performed by this department for the year ending January 31, 1946.

No. of scales tested -----	368	Condemned -----	5
No. of weights tested -----	1187	“ -----	13
No. of Measuregraphs tested -----	5	“ -----	0
No. of yardsticks tested -----	28	“ -----	3
No. oil drums tested -----	16	“ -----	2
No. dry measures tested -----	2	“ -----	0
No. of liquid measures tested -----	103	“ -----	7
No. gasoline pumps tested -----	123	“ -----	5
No. molasses pumps tested -----	1	“ -----	0
No. oil pumps tested -----	56	“ -----	4
No. of vehicle tanks tested -----	10	“ -----	1
No. wood carts surveyed -----	52	“ -----	3
No. of gasoline meters tested -----	57	“ -----	2
No. coal baskets tested -----	3	“ -----	0
No. water meters tested -----	12	“ -----	0
No. times potatoes reweighed -----	7	Found Short -----	2
No. cords of wood surveyed -----	1193	Short weight -----	2
No. of packages inspected -----	251	Found Short -----	2
No. bread inspections -----	53	Short weight -----	1

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. JONES,

Sealer of Weights and Measures



# Report of Board of Registration

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Waterville, Maine, February 1, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The Board of Registration submits the following report for the year ending January 31, 1946:

Owing to a change in the City Charter we have held two City Elections the past year; one March 5th and the 2nd Dec. 3rd.

A Referendum on change of City Charter Sept. 1st resulted in favor of a change from the Annual to a Biennial election, the date of the election to be changed from the 1st Monday in March to the 1st Monday in December.

New registrations during the year -----	552
Removed from lists -----	375
Changes -----	417

## CURRENT EXPENSE

Board -----	\$1,424 00
Clerks -----	270 00
Printing -----	191 00
Supplies -----	31 75
Miscellaneous -----	21 91
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	\$1,938 66

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT B. HOLLAND, Chairman  
JAMES E. CONNOR  
ALBION BLAKE

Board of Registration



## Commission of Health and Welfare

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To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

While this Commission was only organized last november, all its members served on the committee appointed by Mayor Doyle last winter to investigate matters of Health and Welfare in Waterville and therefore have had opportunity for study of the local situation. During this investigation, the committee interviewed numerous persons concerned with various phases of these problems, including school officials, social workers, public health nurses, health officer, city physician, chief of police, judge of the municipal court and the State Commissioner of Health and Welfare.

### CONCLUSIONS FROM INVESTIGATION

As a result of these investigations and subsequent study your commission has come to the following conclusions:

(1) That problems of Health and of Welfare are most intimately associated; that most social or delinquency problems have some basic health problem and that some correlated program of Health and of Welfare is urgently needed in Waterville.

(2) That the City has no such program; that many different offices and agencies are endeavoring to deal with some of these matters, each independent of the other with loss of efficiency and constructive effort. Many important phases are entirely neglected. The school system has a part-time physician and a full-time nurse, and formerly employed a visiting teacher whose position was by necessity practically that of a social worker. There is a City physician to furnish medical care to paupers, and a health officer largely concerned with communicable disease. There is a clerk of the Overseers of the Poor to administer pauper relief. In



other words, there is an antiquated set-up with no coordination, merely attempting to provide relief with no thought of prevention or rehabilitation.

(3) Preventable illness represents an economic loss to the City. Any person prevented from gainful employment, either by health or social problems, means a loss in the economic resources of the City. No preventive program is being carried on in Waterville other than by the nursing service of the Metropolitan Insurance Company. Many small towns, utilizing the State program available to them, have much better health programs, including maternal and child care, immunization and district nursing.

Modern welfare programs stress rehabilitation. This depends upon proper case study, aimed to return the individual to a self-supporting and self-respecting status in the community. This may pay dividends in a large proportion of cases, while pauper relief is only a stop-gap. The only constructive work along this line has been that conducted by a local child welfare agency for which they have no obligation to the City. It is no job for an amateur or a political appointee. It calls for trained personnel.

(4) The epidemic of diphtheria last fall, occurring before the Commission was activated, resulted in several regrettable deaths, which might have been prevented had a modern program of immunization been in effect. Also much undesirable and unwarranted publicity resulted in a serious economic loss to our merchants.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

After due consideration the Commission makes the following recommendations:

(1) The development of a long-range program of Health and Welfare along modern lines, and devoid of partisan politics, which should correlate all facilities of Health and Welfare in one department.

(2) A qualified administrator, preferably one trained in Welfare work to head such a department. Public Welfare has outgrown the archaic pauper department which has no place in the broad program of various types of relief and aid offered by government to the needy, the sick, the blind, the crippled, the dependent



children, the aged, as well as the many provisions for the benefit of the veteran.

Our Welfare Department must be organized, under one head, to perform the following functions: Coordinate existing welfare agencies, Federal, state and private, establish adequate assistance standards, insure better health facilities, rehabilitate the unemployable, provide social service for mothers and dependent children.

(3) The broadening of the scope of the present health officer's duties to include much of the work now done by the City physician, abolishing the latter position. Control of communicable disease should include education of the public both in prevention and in care. Comprehensive problems of immunization should be carried out. The present health officer should be given a post-graduate course in Public Health, financed by the City. Enough added value to his services would be obtained so as to make this more than worth the expense involved.

(4) The head of the department should contract with local hospitals for the hospitalization of indigent sick on a cost basis but with no payment for professional care. Hospitals could provide this by rotating the staff members "on service". More adequate care for the sick would be obtained in this way, than by caring for them at home.

(5) The utilization of part-time medical consultants when necessary for diagnosis by the health officer on a fee table, based upon the set-up by the State Department of Health and Welfare. This would be used for cases not requiring hospitalization.

(6) Employment of a part-time pediatrician to work with the health officer in the schools.

(7) Development of a Public Health Nursing Service, consisting of 3 nurses at the start, and under a competent supervisor. The assignment of such nurses as and when needed to the public school system.

The employment of a trained and competent social worker. This worker to give case work service by which is meant not only investigation and supervision necessary to families needing direct relief, but assurance of welfare services to every family whose home conditions or individual difficulties require special attention.



## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

These recommendations may entail certain changes in the City Charter and will require some additional financing. It has been estimated that such a program would cost about \$18,000 a year. Abolishing or combining certain present offices will provide substantial sums which could be applied to this figure. And certain sums may be received from the State to inaugurate the Public Health Nursing program, while one or more of insurance companies may be expected to contribute once the program has proven effective. It has been suggested that the surrounding towns might well combine in such a program with cost pro-rated among the communities. This would allow an expanded program to include a trained sanitaria.

## CONCLUSION

Regardless of cost and the changes, such a program will pay dividends in better health, in prevention of morbidity and in generally improved welfare and economic conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. HILL, Chairman

MRS. MARY BECHARD

J. FRANK GOODRICH

CYRIL M. JOLY

MARY A. KRICK

Commission of Health and Welfare



# Public Debt Amortization Commission

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Waterville, Maine, February 1, 1946

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

In accordance with the statutory provisions the Public Debt Amortization Commission submits its nineteenth report.

Cash balance on hand 2-1-45 savings A/C Depositors Trust Company -----	\$ 1,098 49
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**Receipts:**

Interest on United States Defense Savings Bonds	850 00
Interest from City Funds -----	401 64
Interest on temporary savings deposit -----	3 94
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	\$ 2,354 07

**Withdrawals:**

March, 1945 (1) Series F. U. S. Gov't Bond (1000.00) par -----	740 00
July, 1945 (1) Series F. U. S. Gov't Bond (1000.00) par -----	740 00
Premium cost of Commissioners Bonds -----	37 50
Safe Deposit Box Rental -----	3 60
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Total withdrawals -----	\$ 1,521 10

Cash balance on hand February 1, 1945 Savings Account Depositors Trust Company -----	832 97
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# WATERVILLE, MAINE

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Par value of Bonds on hand February 1, 1945	-----	\$64,000 00
Purchased during 1945 as above	-----	2,000 00

On hand February 1, 1946 Safe Deposit Box in Depositors Trust Company	-----	\$66,000 00
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## Detailed list of bonds on hand February 1, 1946

Series C	dated November, 1938	----	\$10,000 00
Series D	dated July, 1938	-----	10,000 00
Series G	dated August, 1941	-----	2,000 00
Series G	dated October, 1941	-----	2,000 00
Series G	dated January, 1942	-----	11,000 00
Series G	dated February, 1942	----	1,000 00
Series G	dated July, 1942	-----	1,000 00
Series G	dated September, 1942	----	5,000 00
Series G	dated November, 1942	-----	10,000 00
Series G	dated December, 1942	-----	1,000 00
Series G	dated February, 1943	-----	1,000 00
Series F	dated May, 1943	-----	8,000 00
Series F	dated February, 1944	-----	1,000 00
Series F	dated June, 1944	-----	1,000 00
Series F	dated March, 1945	-----	1,000 00
Series F	dated July, 1945	-----	1,000 00
Par Value Total			----- \$66,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL N. PERKINS

WILLIAM P. TOULOUSE

EPHREM MAHEU



## Report of Advisory Committee of Haines Charity Fund

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February 20, 1946

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City Hall  
Waterville, Maine

Gentlemen:

The members of the Haines Charity Board have found it unnecessary to make any particular changes in the list of investments held by the City of Waterville for the benefit of this charity.

Owing to the unusually low rates of interest now available in practically all investments it has not been practical to make any particular changes in the fund. The securities are in a splendid position; all showing a considerable appreciation over and above the purchase price making the original fund of \$100,000 intact, and in fact having a considerable value over and above the original investment.

Very truly yours,

FRANK B. HUBBARD

CYRIL M. JOLY

WILLIAM A. KNAUFF

ARTHUR PICHER

LEWIS WHIPPLE



## Gifts to City

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ABIJAH SMITH—The plot of land in front of City Hall known as The Common.

SAMUEL APPLETON—Eight acres of land as an addition to Pine Grove Cemetery.

WILLARD B. ARNOLD—The sum of \$5,000 for the use of the Cemetery Committee.

ANDREW CARNEGIE—The sum of \$20,000 to be use in the construction of the Carnegie Free Public Library.

FREDERIC E. BOOTHBY—The sum of \$500, the proceeds to be used in the erection of a Memorial Fountain in Lockwood Park.

WILLIAM T. HAINES—The sum of \$100,000, provided under the provisions of his will, the interest on this sum to be used for the purpose of charity.

MR. and MRS. GEORGE G. AVERILL—The sum of \$10,000 to be used in the purchase of 10 acres of land on the County Road for recreational purposes. The plot has been named "Averill Park."

WALTER S. WYMAN—The sum of \$2,000 to be used in the purchase of 12 acres of land off Cool Street. The plot will be named "Wyman Park."

WALTER E. REID—The Holway Chemical Number 2, as new equipment for the Fire Department, estimated cost \$8,000. Also gift of \$1,000, in the form of a pledge, as contribution toward the purchase of a 750-gallon Mack Pumper. Also \$1,000 in cash during 1928.



EMMA F. PRAY—The sum of \$5,000, provided under the provisions of her will, the interest on this sum to be used for wood for the deserving poor.

DR. GEORGE G. AVERILL and FRANCES B. AVERILL—\$75,240.00 for purchase of Colby College Alumnae Building, said building to become property of city at the time of the removal of Colby College to Mayflower Hill site.

LOCKWOOD & GORDON ENTERPRISES, Inc. — The sum of \$1,000.00 to be used for Physical Education Equipment in the Junior High School.

SARAH E. PRAY PERCIVAL FUND—The sum of \$5,849.07 to be used for relief of deserving poor.



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